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WIFE FEARS FOR HUSBAND ON A CARDIFF PRISON HUNGER STRIKE

THE wife of Vale Flying Vet Maurice Kirk has spoken of her fears that her elderly husband is prepared to die in Cardiff Prison, where he has been on a protest hunger strike for three weeks.



MAURICE KIRK - he has been on a jail protest hunger strike.

Last week, The GEM was first to break the news that Mr Kirk, of St Donats, who has been remanded in custody at the prison following his arrest in June, has been refusing food.

Mrs Kirstie Kirk said that he was making this extreme stand because he was 'frustrated' as he wanted to make a personal appearance in court to defend himself against charges involving a vintage World War One firearm, and needed to be given time to prepare his own defence.

On June 24, Mr Kirk appeared at Barry Magistrates Court charged with unlawfully possessing a 1916 Lewis machine-gun and attempting to sell it without authority.

He was granted bail, but following an appeal by the prosecution at Cardiff Crown Court, he was remanded in custody until July 6, and later further remanded

until September 1 to await trial.

Mrs Kirk told The GEM she is now "gravely concerned" for her 64-year-old husband, who is in the prison's hospital wing.

"I visited him in prison on Tuesday of this week and he is clearly very unwell."

"He has lost a huge amount of weight and is showing clinical signs of the damage being done to his body through not eating."

"However, he remains

as mentally astute as ever and says he is determined to stand by his legal rights to a fair trial."

She said that her husband was a man of principle, who despite the toll on his health, remained "absolutely resolute" to see his protest through.

Though she and their young daughter were deeply distressed at his situation, Mrs Kirk said she fully supported her husband's right to act according to his deeply-held convictions.

"People like him with high principles change history," she said.

On Tuesday, she could see that Mr Kirk had great difficulty in walking and he told her he was not sure if he would be able to manage the walk to the visitors' centre in future.

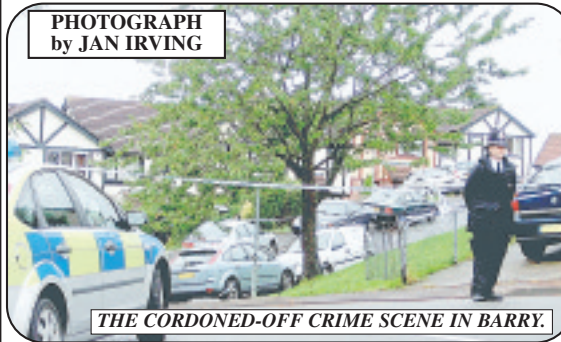
"I am very worried about where this is going and will be urgently pursuing this with the prison medical team."

"He really shouldn't be in there still," she insisted.

LATE NEWS!
As The GEM went to press yesterday, a Ministry of Justice spokeswoman in London informed us by telephone that Mr Kirk was "eating again".

Man arrested after Barry death

PHOTOGRAPH by JAN IRVING



THE CORDONED-OFF CRIME SCENE IN BARRY.

A STREET in Barry was cordoned off as South Wales Police investigated the death of a 41-year-old local man.

A police spokeswoman confirmed that the incident was being treated as murder.

Officers attended at an address on Columbus Close, Barry, at around 10pm on Monday, August 3, after reports of a stabbing.

The man was taken to

the University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff, but died shortly afterwards.

The body has not yet been formally identified and the coroner has been informed. A post mortem examination was due to be carried out on Tuesday.

A 30-year-old local man was arrested in connection with the murder.

Superintendent Paul Murphy said: "This was not a random attack and early indications suggest that the two people were known to each other."

"Officers are carrying out house-to-house enquiries in the area and I would appeal for witnesses or anyone with information to contact us."

Superintendent Paul Burke of the South Wales Police major crime team, added: "We would appeal to anyone who was in the vicinity of Columbus Close at around 10pm last night, or anyone who has any information about this incident, to contact the incident room on 101; or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111".

Residents hailed as power plant fails to get go-ahead

by TIM CHAPMAN

A COALITION of Barry residents and councillors were celebrating last week, after the Vale Council's planning committee voted on July 30 against a proposal to build a wood burning incinerator in the docks area.

One thousand residents from Barry Island, the Waterfront, the Dock View Road area and Sully had registered their opposition to the plans by signing a petition.

Local councillors Chris Elmore, Pamela Drake and Steffan Wiliam hailed it as a victory for the residents' campaign.

Coun Elmore said: "This is a victory for the countless residents who have written letters, sent e-mails, researched the

effects of the plant on the local community, and walked the streets collecting signatures for the petition which had more than 1,000 names opposed to the plant's development."

"This was a broad campaign and was never about party politics."

"Politicians from Labour, Plaid and the Conservatives came out publicly against the proposals, and I am grateful to everyone who has supported the residents of Castleland and the wider area in their campaign."

"My thanks also go to Friends of the Earth for their sterling work in supporting residents in their research, and for their advice."

Coun Drake added: "Councilors on the night understood resi-

dents' concerns and the fact that the proposal could have a negative effect on the development of phase two of the Waterfront Development."

"I would like to add my thanks to all those residents who have worked tirelessly to stop the development going ahead. An overwhelming majority were opposed to this development."

"The applicants may put forward an appeal with regards to the decision taken by the committee to refuse planning permission, but residents and campaigners have won the argument."

Coun Wiliam said he was delighted with the result.

"It's a stunning victory for the people of Barry, but it's also an important marker regard-

ing the direction in which this council should be heading."

"Barry's economy badly needs regenerating. I warned the committee that if they approved the application, they would be saying that it is fine to turn Barry into a dumping ground for the Vale and beyond."

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Power from the River Thaw?

WATCHING the water pouring through the sluice on the Thaw after the recent heavy rains, I had to wonder why there is no turbine in it to generate electricity?

There is always some water coming through, and a turbine would be hidden completely by the concrete walls and grill on top, so there would be nothing at all to spoil any view,
RH Bradshaw, Cowbridge

Thanks to young terrier rescuers

CREDIT must go to the two young lads who rescued a young Yorkshire terrier they found merrily dodging in and out of the traffic on Monmouth Way, Llantwit, last Saturday.

After handing it over to a concerned resident, it only took a few phone calls and the expert knowledge of the local postman to have the happy hound re-united with its grateful owners.

Chris Moss, Llantwit Major

'Where have all the trolleys gone?

THERE is an old song that goes, 'Where have all the flowers gone' - I would like to change this to 'Where have all the trolleys gone?'

The explanation for this is that the Somerfield store places blue plastic baskets and blue lightweight trolleys for the use of the public inside the main door.

Unfortunately, in visit-

ing the store today, I was informed that all the lightweight trolleys had been taken from the store and not returned.

These trolleys are very useful, particularly for the elderly as they are far easier to handle than the large metal trolleys situated outside the store.

May I ask the general public who have taken blue trolleys, to return them as soon as possible?

Mrs Barbara M Sawyer, Llantwit Major

Open gardens day beats the weather

THE open gardens day trail in Penarth, as always, was a huge success despite the inclement weather.

On Sunday, more than £4,500 was raised for The Children's Society.

My thanks, on behalf of the society, go to The GEM for so generously affording us the very necessary publicity that is vital to these events.

Also to all those of the public who never let us down, whatever we do, as well as the donors and helpers.

People turned out in their hundreds on a super Saturday. We look forward to seeing you all next year on July 24-25.

Ann Lush, Penarth

(Hon vice president of The Children's Society, chairman of the Penarth fundraising committee)

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'Enforce the law or remove signs at Llantwit car park'

FURTHER to the many letters The GEM has already published regarding camping on the Llantwit Major beach car park area, I am also in agreement with Mrs Swift and others who have complained about the sad state the area is left in - strewn with rubbish, broken bottles and fire pit remains by these campers.

I am also sure she did not direct her complaint directly at campervan owners, but all campers in general, and is aware of campervan facilities and that their owners also pay council taxes.

My main complaint is the lack of policing and management of the facility to ensure cleanliness and is aimed at the council to address the situation.

However, I need to correct one error in the recent letter by P Pitson. The signs regarding dogs, do not refer to them being on a leash at all times, but restricts

them going onto the beach between May 1-September 30 and prohibits the leaving of excrement by the animals. (Both carry a £1,000 maximum penalty).

There are however signs clearly stating: No overnight parking; no camping; no fires; no caravans; no lorries; no unauthorised coaches - plus location and directions to the nearest authorised camp site.

If these signs were complied with, there would have been no need for Mrs Swift to have sent the original letter.

The council should enforce the law or remove the signs and introduce a fee for using the facilities, which could be used to pay towards the management and upkeep.
D Marshall,
Llantwit Major

'Choose the best person for the job'

I WAS surprised that there was no response to last week's news that Labour were looking for female candidates in the next election.

Surely this is sexist? Could you imagine the uproar if they had plumped for male-only candidates? It just goes to show people have grown tired of all the political correctness.

Surely the Vale should be represented by the best person for the job, whatever colour, creed or sex? (Name and address supplied)

Losing the war in Afghanistan?

THE Taliban must be a formidable enemy, as the fourth Anglo-Afghan war has lasted longer than World War 2, with no end in sight.

Ranged against them are 42 nations equipped with aircraft, helicopters, tanks, armoured vehicles, heavy artillery and the most technologically sophisticated equipment.

The Taliban have small arms, grenades, explosives - and travel around on mopeds. Essentially, we are assisting one side in a civil war and are set to lose for a fourth time.

Christopher Short, Barry

HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL AUGUST 13)

The high tides listed in The GEM are those in Barry. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Porthcawl, the high point will be 15-20 minutes earlier.

DATE	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
	M	M	PM	M
06 Thur	08.08	13.8	20.23	13.9
07 Fri	08.42	13.9	20.59	14.1
08 Sat	09.16	14.1	21.21	14.4
09 Sun	09.49	14.3	21.57	14.3
10 Mon	10.19	14.2	22.38	14.0
11 Tues	10.52	13.7	23.03	13.6
12 Wed	11.19	13.4	23.44	13.3
13 Thur	11.58	13.0		

Rhooose residents need to have a say

WITH reference to recent correspondence in The GEM, a Community Council for Rhooose would not be free - but in this life you get what you pay for.

The residents in Rhooose need to have a say, protected by law, in how the village is run and what changes and improvements they would like to see.

At the moment, Rhooose gets what the councillors from Cowbridge, Llantwit Major and Barry think it deserves.

Andrew Bailey, Rhooose

Airport road: the missed opportunity

I WAS surprised to read the letter in last week's GEM from a regional nationalist Assembly Member trumpeting his transport Minister's long-awaited announcement on the Cardiff Airport access road.

First, we were expecting a decision from the Minister in December 2008, then spring of this year, delayed again until July, and it was eventually made at the very last session of the Assembly term.

I spoke out on at least six occasions, calling for an announcement on the preferred route. Pressure was also applied by communities

across the Vale.

Residents from Wenvoe and Pendoylan were particularly vocal in expressing the interests of their villages.

While Welsh Conservatives welcome improvements to the Five Mile Lane, these cannot be confined to Weycock Cross, as such improvements are existing commitments, as part of the defence academy developments.

This statement on road improvements does nothing to improve road safety in the Vale and represents a missed opportunity to improve access to Barry, or to solve chronic traffic problems at Culverhouse Cross and Dinas Powys.
Andrew RT Davies AM (Assembly Member for South Wales Central)

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TRADER SAYS: 'IT'S BEEN VERY FRUSTRATING...'

Locksmith to leave Theatre Royal building

A LOCKSMITH has told of his frustration at having to leave the premises his family have operated from in the Theatre Royal building since 1994.

Mr Matt Cullen of Barry Security Centre Locksmiths occupies a unit in the old cinema building on its Holton Road side, but over the past few weeks has been slowly transferring his equipment and stock to new premises on Park Crescent.

He told The GEM: "My father Tony bought the business in 1994, and I took it over from him in 2005, although dad still works with me.

"I think the cinema site is likely to be redeveloped, but obviously that will be some time in the future.

"I asked the owner, Bob Phillips, through his solicitors, whether I



ABOVE: Matt has started to fit out his new premises at Park Crescent, but had hoped to remain in the Theatre Royal building.

could continue to pay him rent until any work starts.

"He wanted a year's rent up front - there is no way I can afford to pay that much in advance.

"When I took over the business, I had hoped I could continue at the Theatre Royal unit until I retired.

"I now feel as if I've

been forced out."

Mr Cullen added: "I'm a sole trader and the move, including legal costs, has mounted up to more than £4,000 - it's been a very frustrating experience."

The GEM approached Mr Phillips for a comment via his legal team, but he chose not to make one.

Graduate apprentice dies at power station

A GRADUATE apprentice engineer died last Friday (July 31) in an incident at Aberthaw Power Station.

Emergency services were called at around 8am, and it was reported that the victim died at the scene.

South Wales Police said that there appeared to be no suspicious circumstances, and that the Vale of Glamorgan coroner had been informed.

A spokeswoman for RWE npower said: "We can confirm that Stuart

Hobbs, a 24-year-old engineering graduate trainee, died at Aberthaw Power Station on July 31.

"Everyone within the company has been shocked and saddened by recent events and our thoughts are with Stuart's family, friends and colleagues at this time.

"Stuart joined RWE npower at the beginning of September 2007 and he worked at Aberthaw on the annual maintenance outage both last year and this year, and was a well-respected

and popular member of the team.

"He was a very thorough and focussed engineer who was well-liked by his colleagues, fellow trainees and managers at the power station.

"He was living in Cardiff Bay but remained proud of his Scottish roots.

"In the last few weeks he had been offered a permanent position at the station. We have lost a promising young engineer who was a credit to both his family and his profession."

Barry Survey Group wants your feedback on 'draft action plan'

THE Barry Town Survey Group has now published its draft action plan and is asking local people for their feedback.

The original survey was carried out in the summer of 2007, and the small community group was overwhelmed by the response from the public.

All the returned questionnaires were entered onto a computer data base and analysed by a small group of volunteers.

Tracey Adams of Barry Town Survey Group explained: "It has taken a lot longer to complete the work than we anticipated but we were determined to look at every response and ensure the issues the public raised were reflected in the draft action plan."

The final plan will be contained in the survey group's report which will

be available following the consultation process.

The group's secretary, Steve Sargent, said: "We are asking the Barry community to let us know what they think of the draft plan by August 31 so that we can take their views into consideration in finalising our report."

It is hoped the report, which is likely to be published later this year, will be considered by key decision makers in elected bodies that make the vital decisions on Barry's future.

The action plan highlights a number of areas in which people believe the town's quality of life could be improved - environment, development, recreation and entertainment, retailers, amenities, provision for young people, crime and safety and public transport.

To see the draft action plan, please turn to page 5, where you can also see how to reply to the points it makes.

TOWN COUNCILLORS IN SPAT OVER KINSALE VISIT

A ROW has broken out between Barry town councillors over the costs incurred during a friendship visit by the council leader and the mayor to Kinsale in Ireland.

Kinsale is a small town on the southern coast, and during a trip there, on May 17, Barry Town Mayor, Coun Howard Hamilton, signed a friendship pact between the two towns.

He was accompanied on the visit by council leader, Coun Stuart Egan.

But on Monday, July 20, a row erupted at a town council meeting between the leading Labour group and the opposition. Plaid and Conservative councillors claimed there had been 'unauthorised spending' on the trip.

The opposition leader, Coun Shirley Hodges, told The GEM: "The visit of the new mayor and council leader to Kinsale came as a complete surprise to me as no announcement had been made to councillors, or to those who had attended the mayor making at the Memorial Hall days before the trip.

"The mayor said when he was voted into office that the friendship pact would not cost the people of Barry a penny.

"A row broke out after vellum scrolls commemorating the friendship worth more than £600 had been ordered prior to him making this statement."

Coun Hodges continued: "The leader and mayor eventually saw sense and 'volunteered' to meet the cost of the scrolls after I pointed out that, apart from this whole event being something of a surprise, the council had no money set aside for the friendship pact.

"Why they ordered the scrolls knowing this is beyond belief and soured what should have been something to celebrate."

Conservative councillors Janice Charles and Tony Hampton told The GEM they were "appalled that the scrolls had been ordered at a cost of £660, along with a further £150 insurance cost".

Coun Charles claimed: "The two men begrudgingly agreed to pay half the amount back and get the rest from Kinsale, but not the insurance money. Opposition councillors were kept in the dark about the trip and the expense."

COMMITMENT

Coun Stuart Egan, the leader of Barry Town Council said he and the mayor had dug into their own pockets to fund the trip.

"The mayor, mayoress and I visited Kinsale in May to sign a friendship pact between the two towns.

"The cost of air travel and accommodation

were paid for by us personally - there was no expense to the town council, as this was the commitment I gave when Barry Town Council agreed to enter into the friendship pact.

"The mayor, in his speech when elected, confirmed that he would be visiting Kinsale and that there would be no cost to the council.

"The issue was discussed at the full council meeting on July 20, because a payment had been made for the scrolls to commemorate the signing of the friendship pact although there was no budget for this.

Kinsale Town Council are paying half of this cost.

"I proposed a motion

by TIM CHAPMAN

that the cost to Barry Town Council for our cost of producing the scroll should be personally paid by the mayor and myself, contributing just over £150 each. This was accepted by the council, and reiterated the commitment that both the mayor and I had given to the people of Barry.

"We are both happy to have been involved in the friendship pact with Kinsale, and are happy that a piece of history now hangs on the wall of the mayor's parlour in Barry."

Coun Egan insisted: "I would refute any sug-

gestion that either I or the mayor claimed any expense for the visit.

"Opposition parties also questioned the issue of insuring the chains of office.

"An explanation was given to the council that this was a cost that was justified as the mayor could be invited anywhere as part of the role, and the council would have to ensure cover was provided.

"This was accepted by all parties at the meeting." Coun Egan concluded.

● GEM footnote: Regrettably, due to a printing problem totally beyond our control, Tim Chapman's Kinsale article appeared in an incomplete form last

week. The complete article did appear in The GEM's digital edition last week at www.gem-today.co.uk.

We accept, though, that this digital option is not available to all our readers, hence our decision to reproduce the original article (above) in full this week.

Town Council leader, Coun Stuart Egan, contacted The GEM to express his concern and frustration over the printing error, which The GEM fully understands and we are happy to rectify this.

We apologise to readers for the confusion and regret any embarrassment caused by this unintentional omission.

Barry power plant is a no-go

(Continued from page 1)

At the meeting, Coun William told the planning committee: "When the emphasis should be on reinventing Barry and regenerating its economy through leisure, retail and sustainable tourism, planting incinerators there would hardly help.

"Would councillors like the chimney stack from this proposed plant, two hundred metres away from their own front door, with the chimney at window height and a prevailing southwesterly?"

Coun William said the proposals were contrary to the Vale's unitary development plan for regeneration, and argued the scheme went against its own

waste development plan and should also be refused on the grounds of traffic and pollution.

He told The GEM: "This was an excellent cross-party campaign and an example of what can be achieved when we all pull together."

One Island resident who had opposed the scheme, Diane Mitchell said: "I left the planning meeting feeling delighted with the planning committee's decision to refuse planning permission on the Woodham Road site.

"The committee had taken into consideration the distress of local residents who would have been adversely affected.

"I want to thank all the coun-

cillors who voted against the proposal, and Friends of the Earth for their selfless work."

She added that she hoped there would be a similar result over the proposal for a waste burning plant on land off Atlantic Way.

A spokesman for Sunrise Renewables (Barry) Ltd said that the company was extremely disappointed with the decision not to let the plant get the go-ahead.

He added: "The decision clearly went against the recommendations and technical advice of officers.

"Although we are disappointed, we will now take stock of the decision."

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Under-10
Team 2.



PARK LIONS FC recently held their Presentation Day at Barry Rugby Club.

The sun shone for most of the day and when the rain came it didn't dampen the spirits of the boys who enjoyed a bouncy castle, games and a sweet stall.

Park Lions would like to thank the players and coaches for all their hard work in making 2008/09 a fun season and hope that this carries on.

Anyone interested in finding out more about us should contact Kim on 01446 738486.

LEFT:
The under-11s.



Under-10s, Team 1.

Barry Celts name the award winners

BARRY Celts Football Club recently held their annual football festival at Barry Boys Comprehensive playing fields.

The day proved to be a huge success, with more than 300 players representing 29 teams from all over the Vale.

Barry Celts would like to extend their thanks to all teams that participated for helping it to become such a memorable day.

A huge thankyou also goes to Bobby Kenny for all of his help and time.

On June 28 Barry Celts held their annual end of season presentation at the Barry Rugby Club where trophies were presented to all players within under-8s and under-9s categories.

This year's awards went to:

Barry Celts Panthers under-8: Most Improved Player, Jamie Hawkins; Players Player, Jacob Rosser; Managers Player, Oliver Knight.

Barry Celts Dragons under-8: Most Improved Player, Sam Montgomery; Players Player, Joe Allwood; Managers Player, Evan Wells.

Barry Celts Tigers under-9: Most Improved Player, Bradley Williams; Players Player, Jamie Perry; Managers Player, Nathan Miller.

Barry Celts Lions under-9: Most Improved Player, Adam Bradshaw; Players Player, Jordan Babb; Managers Player, Calvin Fahiya.

Any boys who will be in year-2 in September and are interested in joining an under-8s team please contact Darren Perry on 01446 406896 DW

Penarth tea dance

THERE is a weekly tea dance in the Paget Rooms, Penarth, on Monday afternoons (2pm-4.30pm).

Ballroom, sequence and line dancing. Admission is £2, which includes tea and biscuits.

Valeways walks

SUNDAY, August 9, Lavernock and St Mary's Well Bay, 2.30pm at St Laurence's Church, Lavernock.

Monday, August 10, across to Barry Island, Start at 7pm at the Waterfront (opposite Morrisons), Barry.

Tuesday, Wenvoe-St Lythans, meet at 1.30pm in the Wenvoe Arms car park, Wenvoe.

Wednesday, Penarth to Barrage. At 1.30pm, at the clifftop car park.



Panthers under-8s.



Tigers under-9s.



Dragons under-8s.



Lions under-9s.

'We believe the initiative is the first of its kind in Wales'

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE BARRY DRAFT ACTION PLAN?

THE BARRY Town Survey Steering Group was established to run a survey to ask local residents which issues they felt most strongly about.

The group consists of members of the community and town councillors, and they have given their time voluntarily to carry out the survey, analyse the results and prepare the action plan.

The draft has been created based upon the responses and comments given by the people of Barry.

The plan covers the areas of development, environment, amenities, public transport, crime and safety.

A spokesman said: "We believe our action plan is the first of its kind in Wales and we hope it will support and enable all aspects of the community to work with a variety of agencies in order to make a difference and help to drive forward improvements to our town."

So what did the people of Barry suggest?

Environment

Recycling: A simple

guide to recycling – the Vale Council to set out an informative guide to recycling.

Recycling facilities to include food composting.

More frequent emptying of bins at public amenity sites.

Litter: More litter pickers; an anti-litter schools campaign; stronger action against offenders; more frequent emptying of regularly used bins; bigger bins; more litter bins at key locations.

Fly-tipping: quicker responses to remove fly-tipped material; quicker/more frequent response from the council when collecting household items; stronger action against offenders.

Dog mess: Stronger action against offenders; additional facilities for dog mess at key locations around the town, particularly the town centre.

Development

Developments that include the necessary supporting infrastructure for existing and new Barry residents.

Genuine consultation with the community when developments are

planned – before any decisions are made.

Initiatives to provide a range of tourist accommodation within the town.

Projects to modernise or renew leisure facilities at Barry Island.

Recreation and Entertainment

More cafes and restaurants in the town and at areas such as the Waterfront.

A centre providing a range of entertainment such as the Red Dragon Centre in Cardiff.

A wider range of recreational facilities, e.g. bowling, multiplex cinema, ice skating, bars and restaurants.

Retailers

Quality retail shopping facilities including a department store and recognised brand names.

Incentives for branded retailers to place outlets in the town.

Support for councils who are lobbying government to reduce VAT from 15 per cent to five per cent when refurbishing empty shops.

Initiatives to reduce the non-domestic business rates.

Support for the British Retail Consortium's campaign against rent

clauses which allows landlords to raise rents automatically.

The council to take over shops that have been vacant for a long time and use them for community purposes with low rental costs.

Amenities

Toilets: More toilet facilities at key locations; facilities to open longer and to be maintained to a higher standard; existing closed facilities to be reopened and to be maintained to a high standard.

Public seats: More public seats at many locations including the town centre.

Provision for Young People

Greater dialogue between service providers and the community including young people.

Additional discounted leisure facilities/activities for young people (e.g. multiplex; bowling; skate park; theme park; bike tracks.)

Crime and safety

Neighbourhood watch schemes: more visible police patrols on foot, bicycles and motorcycles.

More CCTV; the Vale Council to state policy and procedures

for the use and maintenance of CCTV cameras and promote improvements where necessary.

Additional lighting in the town, in consultation with the local community.

Stronger action against anti-social behaviour.

Public Transport

Buses: Additional buses (including late services); subsidies and incentives to use buses; revised timetabling and bus routes; more training on customer care/communication for bus drivers.

Trains: Additional trains (including late services); subsidies and incentives to use trains; more frequent trains and extra carriages; access to statistics on the number of trains that do run on time.

Taxis: Standard fares especially around the town centre; more female taxi drivers.

Bicycles: More cycle routes; cycle routes to schools; more cycle racks for safe parking in town and other main areas.

Cars: More car parking spaces including more multi-storey car parks; more parking in

the town centre, High Street and Thompson Street areas in particular; additional and improved parking for the disabled.

Footpaths: More dedicated footpaths; more and improved signage for rural (out-of-town) footpaths.

These could be sponsored by local businesses.

A spokesman for the survey group added: "We would welcome your comments and views on the draft action plan."

"If you have any questions or comments on our action plan we would love to hear from you."

"Our hope is that the town council will adopt an agreed version of the plan."

Contact: The secretary, Barry Survey Group, 7 Gladstone Road, Barry, CF62 8NA; or email: barrysurvey@live.co.uk

Barry Town Council has agreed to place this draft plan on their internet site which can be found at www.barrytowncouncil.gov.uk

Merchant Navy has close links with Kinsale

I write with reference to the 'Kinsale visit' story in last week's GEM.

The representatives of the Barry branch of the Merchant Navy Association (Wales) did not form part of the mayor of Barry's party. We travelled via Heathrow the day prior to the councillors and stayed in accommodation that we have used for more than 10 years. The mayor's party stayed elsewhere.

Our purpose in visiting Kinsale was to attend the Sea Sunday Service in St Multose Church, as we have done for about 12 years. Each branch member meets their own cost.

This year is also the 10th anniversary of the signing of a Declaration of Friendship between the Harbour Board Commissioners representing the seafaring community of Kinsale, and our branch on behalf of the seafaring community of Barry.

This year, the new Harbour Master's Office was dedicated and formally opened, and it was followed by the chairman of the Harbour Board Commission,

Coun W Lynch and me expressing the wish that the Friendship Pact would long endure, with an exchange of gifts to commemorate the occasion.

All present were then invited and made their way as guests to the Yacht Club for some light refreshments; after which we were invited to the town hall by the Mayor of Kinsale Council, Dermot Collins, to observe the signing of a Declaration of Friendship between the two towns.

We have attended several functions at the town hall in Kinsale over the years and returned the hospitality when the friends we have made visit Barry, more often than not paying out of our own pockets.

These were held several times at the Sea View Labour Club, the first being a repeat signing of the Declaration of Friendship in Barry.

Other venues have included the College Inn, RAFA Club and the Fox and Hounds, Llancafnan.

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'Achievement' awards ceremony is held at South Wales Police HQ

A TOTAL of 51 officers and staff from the newly-formed basic command unit of South Wales Police, together with a member of the police's dog section and two officers from the British Transport Police, had their achievements officially recognised by their peers at a special awards evening held in at Bridgend HQ on July 23.

Police Officers were commended for exceptional courage, professionalism, dedication and diligence when confronted by a number of challenging situations.

Divisional Commander for the new Central Division, Acting Chief Superintendent Liane James, said: "Policing is an extremely demanding, but rewarding occupation for both officers and police staff."

"The commendation ceremony gave us all an opportunity to recognise the exceptionally high standards of work achieved across the

breadth of policing activity."

Among those who received commendations were: An off duty police constable who spotted drug dealers operating in the centre of Bridgend. The officer called for assistance and helped in the subsequent arrest of two people.

A team made up of a detective sergeant, a PCSO and three police constables which successfully brought to justice a team of professional shoplifters operating in Penarth.

Three police officers and a PCSO who attended the scene of an attempted suicide in Barry and by administering CPR and first aid gave the victim the chance of survival until attendance by the paramedics – the victim survived the attempt.

The investigation team, including two officers from British Transport Police, which dealt with the enquiry into the murder of Ryan Edwards in Bridgend, and whose efforts were crucial in ensuring those responsible were brought to justice.

It was not just police officers who were recognised for their efforts at



AWARD WINNER: PC Darran Fenton of Barry police.



AWARD WINNER: PCSO Robert Miller of Barry police.



AWARD WINNER: PC Mark Ashill serves in the Vale.

the ceremony.

A neighbourhood volunteer who has shown exceptional commitment and enthusiasm to the role, working alongside officers and staff within

the community safety department in Barry, and a secretary in Bridgend was also commended for 40 years of loyal and dedicated service to South Wales Police.

VALE HIT BY A TORNADO!

It seems that our readers have an endless fascination with steam trains... After The GEM reported that the new £3 million Peppercorn class A1 Pacific Steam Locomotive No. 60163 'Tornado' (named after the RAF Fighter Plane), was passing through the Vale, all good vantage points were packed.

The Tornado pulled the Southampton to Carmarthen 'Pathfinder' Express, on a return journey.

One local railway enthusiast said: "The number of people who came out to see the train was amazing. In fact, despite a warning printed in The GEM, there were a number of points where people were standing too close to the track."

The photograph (right) was taken by Mike Baker as the train passed near Pendoylan.



Assembly's £587,000 new funding for hospices

THREE local hospices are to receive £587,000 of Welsh Assembly Government funding.

Health Minister Edwina Hart announced last week.

It will be invested in services at the Marie Curie Holme Tower hospice in Penarth, George Thomas Hospice Care in Cardiff and Ty Hafan children's hospice in Sully – as part of a £4million investment in hospices and palliative care services across Wales.

Part of the funding will be dedicated to expansion of the Cancer Network Information System Cymru, a comput-

erised clinical record to enable health professionals quick access to key information to monitor and care for patients.

Edwina Hart said: "For people with progressive and life threatening conditions, good quality palliative care services are vital."

"I wish to ensure that the level of care provided, at what is a very distressing time, is the very best possible and people have access to services consistently across Wales."

The local funding will be shared out as follows: Holme Tower (Penarth) – £342,000; George Thomas Hospice Care (Cardiff) – £135,000; Ty Hafan children's hospice (Sully) – £110,000.

'Time to webcast council meetings' – says a councillor

A LABOUR councillor wants the Vale to be the first council in Wales to put webcasts of all its meetings on its website.

Coun Rob Curtis says the move would allow residents to see at first hand the work their councillors are carrying out for them.

Many councils in England have already opened up their meetings to such public scrutiny.

Coun Curtis has requested that council officers produce a report outlining the costs, advantages and disadvantages of introducing such a policy.

The Gibbonsdown councillor explained: "The webcasting of all our meetings would open up the workings of the local council for all to see at a time and place that is suitable for them."

"It will allow residents to see whether their councillors are attending and standing up for their concerns."

"Residents who live in isolated communities will, in effect, be able to be present at our meetings, without having to make the journey – especially during the long, cold nights of winter."

"Or, if it is inconvenient to watch the proceedings live, they can log onto the recordings of the meetings whenever and wherever it suits them."

Coun Curtis added: "Promoting democratic involvement in the decision-making process should be a priority for all councils."

"Webcasting our meetings will give us the potential of reaching large numbers of people both across the Vale and nationwide, making us accountable and transparent to anyone who wishes to find out what their councillors are really up to!"

PACT MEETINGS IN THE VALE

ST BRIDES PACT, St Brides Major Church Hall, August 5, 6pm.

GIBBONSDOWN PACT, Communities First Office, Aberaeron Close, August 10, 2pm.

COWBRIDGE coffee and chat meeting, The Bush Inn, St Hilary, August 11, 11am.

LLANDOWE/WEENY PACT, Ewenny Village Hall, August 19, 7pm.

CRIME PREVENTION DAY, Victoria Square, Penarth, August 22, 11.30am-3.30pm.

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Barry Romilly lose to Llandaff

BARRY Romilly Bowling Club travelled to Llandaff fields for their Division One match on Saturday against Llandaff Bowling Club.

After overnight and morning rain, the sun made an appearance and bowling conditions were good. However, Romilly were disappointed to come away with just two points, and lost the aggregate 84-88.

Alan Bryan's rink of R Hewitson, A Burge and J Jones were the Romilly hot shots. They led from start to finish, winning their rink 31-16. Skip Alan was pleased with this win and full of praise for his team's efforts.

Tony Freeman's rink of C Collins, W Hewitt and G Eastman had a tough match, with their opponents always in front.

However, the game changed somewhat when the Romilly boys scored a very big seven on the 16th end to create a tight finish.

The scores were 26-26 after 20 ends, and Romilly were holding

two shots on the last end, only for the Llandaff skip to move the jack and score a single to win the rink 26-27.

Dave Wright's rink of H Jones, C Geen and G Coghill also had a tough game. They led 7-0 after four ends, when it became a catch-up game with the Llandaff back two leading the way, going on to win 19-20.

Brian Foscolo's rink of M Newman, M Doyle and M Gershenson had a nightmare of a game, a scenario not seen too often. The Llandaff players stepped up their game after the tea break and went on to win the rink 25-8.

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VALE AM's SURGERY

VALE AM Jane Hutt will be holding a constituency surgery on Saturday, August 8, between 10am-12noon at her constituency office, 115 High Street, Barry.

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GOOD NEWS FOR HISTORIC BUILDING

Dyffryn House to benefit from £50,000 grant aid

THE Heritage Minister, Alun Ffred Jones, has visited Dyffryn House and Gardens in the Vale to announce that more than £900,000 is to be shared among 22 of Wales' most important historic buildings.

Dyffryn House is one of the grant recipients and has been offered a sum of £50,000 to repair and refurbish the

house's principal rooms. Noted for its fine interiors, Dyffryn House is set in the heart of the Grade I-listed Edwardian Dyffryn Gardens, which are open to the public throughout the summer.

The Welsh Assembly Government grants, ranging from £3,600 to £125,000, have been provided to carry out essential repairs and restoration work to buildings across Wales.

The Minister said: "I am delighted to visit Dyffryn House and Gardens to offer these

grants for historic building repairs.

"The grants, which are for a wide range of historic buildings, including many of the fine churches of Wales, will ensure that some of our most important buildings are restored and maintained for the enjoyment of future generations.

"Dyffryn House makes a wonderful backdrop to the gardens which are enjoyed by 50,000 visitors each year. I hope that the grant will help with the long term aspiration of opening Dyffryn House for visitors to enjoy its splendour."

Coun Rhodri Traherne, Vale cabinet member for economic development and regeneration, said: "Having the support from Cadw to progress our ambitious plans for the restoration and reuse of this outstanding period house is of great significance."

"Following the council's commitment to the repairs of the exterior, which have recently been completed, the grant will greatly benefit our proposals to repair the interiors and bring forward public use and access to this fine building."

Stephen Parker, of The Friends of Dyffryn Gardens, said: "This is exciting news and serves to underline both the Welsh Assembly's commitment to restoring the fine interiors of Dyffryn House, and to the long-term plan towards finally re-opening the house to visitors."

"Dyffryn House is an integral part of the magnificent gardens at Dyffryn and to see this long-term commitment to opening the house to the public is a very welcome development, and underlines the importance of Dyffryn Gardens as a major visitor attraction in the area."

Baruc Art Group is 35 years of age!

THE Baruc Art Group is the longest-running art group in Wales.

Members meet every Friday morning at Windsor Road Church Hall in Barry, from 10 am.

The group has been meeting for 35 years in September, and this year it is presenting a special exhibition of members' work.

This will take place on August 14-15 between 10am-4pm.

Original works of art will be on display for purchase at very reasonable prices to suit all tastes. Light refreshments will also be provided, a spokeswoman said.

"Many of the artists will be available to answer any questions, and new members are always welcome."

Contact the secretary, Ms Julie Binding on 01446 736828 for further details of the event or membership.

CUTBACKS ARE ON THE CARDS AS... Vale Council finance chief warns of 'tough times ahead'

THE VALE Council has been warned that setting a budget for the next two financial years (2010/11 and 2011/12) will involve major cutbacks.

Over those two years, the council may have to find savings totalling £10.4 million, as the flow of cash from Westminster via the Assembly is set to fall for all 22 councils in Wales by £216 million.

The director of finance, ICT and property at the Vale Council, Sian Davies, in a report issued last week, says the Vale's share of these cuts will add up to £10.4 million.

In the report, she says that the council must cut £5.8 million from the 2010/11 budget, and then 4.6 million from the 2011/12 budget.

However, she makes the point that some of the calculations are based on estimates, because final figures still have to be confirmed by the Assembly. She goes on to say

"This lack of certainty as to the level of future settlements is wholly insufficient for forward planning purposes."

However, assuming that the information on the projected cuts is accurate, a 'must-cut' list has been drawn up for different Vale Council directorates.

The biggest loser is Learning and Development, where more than £3 million needs to be cut over the two years. The cut demanded in 2010/11 is £1.54 million, and in 2011/12, it is £1.52 million.

This represents a 1.7 per cent fall in its budget.

Heavy cuts are also demanded at social services and at environmental and economic regeneration. The social services budget is set to be

slashed by £1.5 million in the first year, and by £725,000 in the second, in a 2.8 per cent overall cut.

At environmental and economic regeneration, £945,000 must be cut in 2010/11, while £1.235 million must go the following year. This amounts to a 4.7 per cent cut.

Two other areas have to find more than a million in savings over the two years. First, corporate services is being asked to take a 5.4 per cent cut, amounting to £1.31 million, spread over those two years.

Finally, there is the category entitled 'council-wide savings' which is being asked to absorb an identical of £1.31 million.

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Latest cases from the Vale Magistrates Court

JOHN ALAN PARTRIDGE (41) of Holland Way, Barry, admitted damaging a communal door belonging to Vale of Glamorgan Housing Association.

He also admitted shoplifting, stealing a coat from Kids Corner in Holton Road.

Magistrates ordered a 12-month conditional discharge and told him to pay £65 prosecution costs.

ADAM MULES (28) of Claude Road, Cardiff, admitted possession of heroin, a Class A drug, in Penarth on July 20.

He was fined £85 and the drugs will be destroyed.

ADAM EVAN JONES (21) of Carne Court, Boverton, Llantwit Major, admitted assault occasioning actual bodily harm on May 5.

Magistrates ordered a community order, and 150 hours of unpaid work must be carried out within 12 months.

He must also pay compensation to the victim of £150.

LEANNE BOARD (27) of Windemere Square, Old Barn, Newport, admitted being in possession of cocaine, a Class A drug, in Barry on August 29, 2008.

She was given a conditional discharge for 12 months and the drug is to be destroyed.

NADIA CHICK (35) of Hill Terrace, Penarth, admitted possession with intent to supply a Class B drug - amphetamine.

She also admitted possession of amphetamine and possession of

cannabis, a Class B drug. Magistrates told her she will be subject to a community order, and must complete 80 hours of unpaid work within 12 months.

She must pay £50 prosecution costs, and the drugs will be destroyed.

MARK ANTHONY DAVIES (34) of Park Crescent, Barry, admitted obstructing a constable in the execution of

his duty and using threatening behaviour, leading people to believe violence might be used against them.

He was given a community order, and is subject to a three-month curfew.

WAYNE SHERLOCK (19) of Robins Lane, Barry, admitted drink driving on Somerset Road on July 18.

The court heard a breath sample showed 56 microgrammes of

alcohol in 100 millilitres of breath.

He was banned from driving for 12 months and fined £200.

If he completes a course, the ban can be reduced by three months.

ANTHONY JAMES CLAYPOLE (27) of Hayes Road, Sully, admitted damaging a car.

He was given a community order and told to pay the victim £450.

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NEWS FROM PENARTH AND DISTRICT RAMBLERS

Walking – and gardening – on a trek in the Vale

RECENTLY, Barbara had to cancel her planned walk to the Dyffryn Crawnon horseshoe following an injury to her foot, which is mending.

However, quick as a flash, a very shrewd Rachel stepped into the breach with a call to those who had nothing better to do – to accompany her on a recce in the lovely Vale.

Bring some secateurs was the cry, as the recent heat and rainfall has seen the vegetation almost grow before your very eyes and this was her chance to have help in clearing footpaths before her walk planned for later in August.

Nine walkers answered the call complete with sticks and secateurs, as requested, and setting off from the Barry Waterfront, they made their way to the small hamlet of City, near Llansannor.

Going northwards past a disused quarry, they turned west, making their way along paths through Gelli-goll and the woods behind Rectory Farm. These are paths that have been inaccessible for years, but having been cleared it is pure pleasure to be able to walk them!

Some road-walking led to Isycoed Farm (where there is a new diversion going around



ABOVE: Secateurs at the ready.

the farm instead of through it) and then across fields to rejoin the lane leading to Graig Penllyn. Following the topmost lane, they stopped for morning coffee on a verge before tramping on to Vistla Farm.

A sunken track led them down to Penllyn village and they followed the road towards the Red Fox Inn, en route passing Dr Salmon's Wells. There are three wells, two of which are original and supported the village during times of drought.

Having fallen into disrepair at the end of the 19th century, Dr Salmon of Penllyn Court paid for their repair and a third well was dug. After piped water was introduced to the area, they were badly neglected in the 1930s and became overgrown and derelict.

However, as part of the Millennium celebrations in 2000, they were restored.

Turning away from the village, the group dropped down past another disused quarry and followed part of the Valeways Millennium Trail, adjacent to Coed y Stanby, and met another path diversion, bypassing a garden further along.

They crossed a road and made their way up through a field and a wooded valley at Graig before turning west at the top and making their way back to City.

The forecasted showers never came, the day was bright, warm and sunny and clearing paths as they walked made for fun and plenty of laughter.

On August 8, meet at Llantwit Major railway station in plenty of time

to catch the 9.22am train to Bridgend for the 13.5-mile moderate walk back to Llantwit, overland and via beaches and the coastal path; contact Joy on 01446 737131.

On August 13, the last of the summer evening walks will leave Penarth cliff top car park at 7pm for a four-mile easy circular walk to Lavernock Nature Reserve; contact Joy on 01446 737131.

Wear suitable clothing, preferably boots, and carry waterproofs, food and drinks. Some degree of fitness is required and if you are in any doubt, then please contact the walk leader for advice. For other groups' walk log onto www.ramblers.org.uk

Rucksack badges, programmes and membership advice can be obtained from Pam on 029 2021 9102.

JOY STRANGWARD

Avoiding the mud at the Royal Welsh...

MEMBERS of Porthcawl's Adventurers Club, run by Carol and Phillip George, visited the Royal Welsh Show at Builth Wells.

The party left Porthcawl basking in sunshine to brave the mud and rain of the show ground at Llanelwedd.

Nevertheless, suitably equipped with wellies and brollies, members thoroughly enjoyed their day out at Wales' premier agricultural Show.



ABOVE: Mrs Kate Thomas CVO JP, Lord Lieutenant of Mid Glamorgan and president of the Royal Welsh Agricultural Society, with Carol and Phillip George.

PHOTOGRAPHS by KEITH E MORGAN



ABOVE: Always an attraction, a Gloucestershire Old Spots sow with her litter of nine piglets born on July 4.



ABOVE: Margaret spotted Welsh rugby legend Gerald Davies and grabbed a photo to take home to her grandson.

'Political baggage' that comes with membership of EU

PROBABLY no-one would sniff at a European market of 500 million customers (although the rest of the world is much bigger).

This was, after all, how the Common Market was sold to us originally. Sadly, Mr. Heath forgot to mention the political baggage

which would come with membership.

This is what he said: "There are some in this country who fear that, in going into Europe, we shall in some way sacrifice independence and sovereignty. These fears, I need hardly say, are completely unjustified."

To the extent that he and the contemporary European leaders knew that this was untrue, our whole membership of what is now the

European Union is based on what we might, if feeling charitable, call a misrepresentation.

If the EU restricted itself to providing a common market and to cross border matters, fair enough, but what have the following to do with either of these? – rural Post Office closures, fortnightly bin collections, the aggravation of trying to open a bank account, home information packs, vitamin supplements, booster car seats for 12-year-olds, banning bent (or straight) cucumbers and forked carrots? These were all instigated by Brussels.

As I understand it, only the (unselected) Commission can propose EU legislation. Whether the percentage of our laws coming from Brussels is 80, 40 or anything else, the underlying question is "Who asked their opinion anyway?"

I tried once to find the answer to this question, in relation to banning mercury in barometers. After much correspondence, the best I obtained was the following from one Klaus Berend: "It is not possible

to attribute the idea to one individual person or event."

So it seems that we are governed by laws initiated by anonymous members of an unelected body. And what is the difference between laws and regulations? Can regulations be ignored? I don't think so.

Among the minor concessions which we have made are those on immigration, and what used to be our fishing industry, given away to be wrecked by the EU. Iceland, if you want to join, watch out!

Finally, there is the utter cynicism of this organisation and its acolytes. They tell the Irish to vote and vote again until they give the correct answer, and break their promise to us because they are afraid of the result.

Meanwhile, they carry on implementing the Lisbon whateveritis as though they had won.

The EU's disgraceful finances, and how we have become supplicants for our own money, would be the subject of a letter on their own.

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Learning, living and working for the future in a sustainable Wales

LAST month, I issued a statement on how education is supporting the Welsh Assembly Government's Sustainable Development and Climate Change agenda.

In education, our responsibilities range from the way we design and manage our buildings (schools, colleges and universities), to the education and skills that we offer to our children and young people – and, indeed, learners of all ages.

One of the most important committees I attend as Education Minister is the climate change cabinet committee, where Ministers contribute directly to this priority area, so critical to our responsibilities in helping to deliver the annual three per cent carbon reductions we have set as a Government.

ASSEMBLY NOTES



by Jane Hutt AM
(Minister for Children, Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills)

The UK Climate Projections 2009, released in June, projected that some climate change is inevitable due to past greenhouse gas emissions. We need to plan and prepare for this, to increase our resilience and minimise our risk.

In combating climate change, we recognise the importance of improved energy efficiency in our education

buildings. The money we put into new school buildings, and refurbishing older buildings, must incorporate basic energy efficiency measures, as well as introducing or using renewable energy technologies.

All new school and college buildings which we fund must meet the BREEM Excellent standard for environmental effectiveness.

The Eco Schools programme, so popular in our Vale schools, helps to drive the energy efficiency agenda and engage our children in the educational awareness and understanding of their environment.

Leadership by our young 'eco champions' is a powerful force in changing behaviour at home as well as school, as pupils grasp the message and the challenges with their families

and in the country.

At the earliest educational opportunity, we are placing a greater emphasis on using the outdoors to enhance children's learning.

The introduction of the Foundation Phase for 3-7 year olds has already made an impact as we move into the second year of implementation this September.

Children gain their most powerful understanding of their natural environment

through exploring it for themselves, making issues such as climate change more relevant and understandable.

It can also help them understand how natural material can be used as a renewable resource, such as wind and water, and help inform them about the steps we can take to live life sustainably.

This follows through their school careers with curriculum for sustainable development and global citizenship and the Welsh

Baccalaureate.

Education has an important role to play in promoting relevant research and we have made the low carbon economy a key priority in funding reach and development programmes in Wales.

We are investing in research on the impact of climate change and bio energy on sustainable agriculture and bio-fuels, relevant to our farming community in the Vale.

We have funded the Low Carbon Research

Institute with work on low carbon energy generation, storage and distribution, and the Energy Graduate School and other key priorities, such as energy demand reduction including achieving zero-carbon built environment.

Finally, education is a key part of the Green Jobs Strategy helping to support businesses in developing a low-carbon, low-waste economy.

We need to support businesses by providing

them with people with the right skills to make this happen, with appropriate training, qualifications and accreditation for green jobs to support green businesses as we all move in this direction.

There is a strong partnership in Wales, from our youngest pupils to our most successful businesses, backed by the Welsh Assembly Government and local authorities at the forefront of making this happen.

Town centre road changes planned

A SCHEME to introduce improved traffic management and increased on-street parking in Penarth town centre was approved by the Vale Council's cabinet on July 29.

Coun Gordon Kemp, Leader of the Council, said: "The proposals are very similar to those that formed the basis for the bid to the Welsh Assembly Government for urban renewal funding three years ago.

"Although that bid was unsuccessful, it was accepted that the details

of the bid would form the basis of improvements in Penarth, as and when funds became available.

Those proposals received overwhelming support from residents, traders and visitors alike."

He continued: "Council funds have now been identified for this financial year to allow the introduction of traffic regulation orders, to create new one-way systems in parts of Arcot Street and Glebe Street, to complement the existing systems operating in Ludlow Street and Ludlow Lane.

"Additional controlled parking for both residents and shoppers will be provided, as well as enhanced provision for goods vehicle loading bays, additional disabled drivers' parking spaces, motor cycle parking bays and cycle stands."

The Vale Council's planning committee on July 30 approved the giving of public notice for the scheme, and detailed information on the proposals will be announced shortly.

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PENARTH TURNS OUT TO SHOW ITS SUPPORT FOR THE WORK OF MARIE CURIE HOSPICE

PHOTOGRAPHS by GLYN EVANS

ON August 1, the Marie Curie hospice Penarth's annual garden party and fete took place, with staff and fundraisers being joined by visitors from all parts of the area.

It was opened at 12.30pm by Lorraine Barratt AM, a patron of the hospice.

The hospice's fundraising manager, Karen Jones, told The GEM: "There was some rain at the beginning, but we decided to go ahead with the event because people had put in so much effort.

"As the day went on, it brightened up and people still came, so it was a success.

"A total of £2,580 has been raised so far, but there is more to come," she reported.



NEWS FROM THE FONMON APIARY Bees need night snacks

AUGUST is now upon us, and to the beekeeper it heralds the slowing down of the season.

In fact, the season has been on hold for most of July, thanks to the incessant rain.

The bees have managed to get out foraging on some of the days of July, but very little in the way of nectar has been collected.

Stores within the hive are being consumed, and the beekeeper must keep an eye on things and supply a liquid feed where required.

To prepare a liquid feed, take a 2lb bag of sugar (1kilo) and add it one pint of water.

Yes, I know we have now gone metric, but I am a little long in the tooth and remember the old measures.

Anyway, back to the feeding; it must be stressed that white refined sugar must be used, as opposed to natural cane sugar.

The use of cane sugar would give the bees a

form of dysentery.

Strange, I know, but there you have it – warm water is the norm but cold will do as the sugar will dissolve eventually.

Today's plastic lemonade bottles make excellent containers for the liquid sugar.

Giving the feed to the bees is simple enough: remove the hive roof, then a watertight wooden box that has the same dimensions as the hive is put on top.

Some two inches from one end of the box, there is a divider which separates the bees from the liquid sugar, and a slot in the ensuing space gives them the ability to access the feed as they need it.

Before I put in the liquid, a good layer of grass is added and this gives the bees a surface to walk upon, so preventing them drowning in the liquid.

The roof is replaced, and the bees left to get on with it.

Feeding should only be done in the evening

when the bees are settled for the night.

To do this during the day would mean that every hive in the vicinity would detect the feed, and you would be besieged by the occupants of every hive around you.

So, for the good of the Apiary and yourself, feeding at night is the best option.

I myself have been feeding all my hives for the past two weeks.

In particular, the two nucleus hives and the swarm, are doing very well.

I want them in top condition to face the coming winter.

Most of the bees which will be raised now will be the longest lived and will carry the hive through the winter.

As ever, the Varroa mite is still with us and their control and treatment will be next month's subject.

HAROLD WILLIAMS

Diseased tortoises lead to five-year ban for Llantwit animal importer

A Llantwit Major man who sold tortoises over the internet was sentenced on Tuesday (August 4) for animal cruelty offences relating to 151 of the creatures.

Ian Crosby, aged 48, admitted seven charges under the Animal Welfare Act, which also related to five iguanas in

his possession, the local authority prosecuting him said.

Crosby imported tortoises from Prague in the Czech republic, but one batch was suffering from herpes, which spread among the other animals because of the environment they were kept in.

Inspectors from the Vale Council, which brought the court case against him, also found

tortoises clambering over each other to get to the heat from the one lamp that was turned on in their pen.

The iguanas were found to be so close to the lamp in their vivarium they were at serious risk of suffering burns. They had no access to water either.

He admitted allowing the animals to suffer unnecessarily, and to not taking reasonable steps to ensure their needs were met.

He also admitted failing to provide suitable environments for animals in his care.

Vale magistrates gave him a four-month prison sentence, suspended for two years.

He will be supervised for 12 months and must carry out 200 hours unpaid work.

He was also banned from keeping animals for

five years.

A council spokeswoman said: "In 2008, the Vale Council received complaints over the health of animals Mr Crosby was selling via his internet business.

"The decision to prosecute Mr Crosby was made following a comprehensive investigation by licensing officers, during which information was received from eminent veterinary practitioners who, due to the severity of this case,

needed to seek permission from the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons to breach client confidentiality.

"This was a national case in which the council had to respond to complaints from all over the country.

"The council is pleased with the outcome of this case and the sentence imposed by the court reflects the seriousness of the charges brought against Mr Crosby."

Cowbridge garden inspires local artists

AN exhibition of flower painting by a small group of volunteers from the Cowbridge Physic Garden will be on display in Cowbridge Library throughout the month of August.

The members of the group are all 'beginners', whose enthusiasm has been guided, in informal sessions, by fellow volunteer and botanic artist Gillian Griffiths.

Glenbrook's fun day for Welsh troops

THE Glenbrook Inn, Barry, is holding a family fun day this Saturday, August 8, on behalf of the Welsh Guards Fund.

The proceeds from the day will go to help injured soldiers returning from war.

There will be face painting, games, a cake stall, a bouncy castle, tug-of-war, hook-a-duck, a raffle and lots more.

A spokesman said: "The fun starts at 1.30pm and everybody is welcome."

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BARRY COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL NEWS

Year-10 learn new skills in the Gower



Jonathan, Morgan, Leighton and Kieran doing the dishes after a delicious curry!

Will these be enough for the meal, Miss?



The students had mixed luck with strawberry picking!

BARRY Comprehensive School's year-10 'Life Skills' group spent a week at the end of term camping at Horton Bay in the Gower.

Under the guidance of their teacher, Mrs Zyjewski, the boys were involved in planning and preparing for camp. This included budgeting, shopping and cooking prepared meals prior to the week's events.

The group would like to thank Tesco for their donation towards the cost of the food.

The boys experienced working together as a team and tried out a variety of new outdoor pursuits.

End of term report at Ysgol Sant Curig

Healthy Picnic

ON JULY 10, everyone in the school enjoyed a healthy picnic outdoors in the school grounds.

The school provided a healthy packed lunch for children who usually have school dinners.

All the parents of children who normally have packed lunches supported the cause by sending healthy picnic food to school.

Cross-country

MANY congratulations to the school's cross-country team, who were very successful at the Urdd competition in Cardiff.

Ellie Peterson (year-3) came first in the year-3 and 4 race. Her sister Kelsey Peterson came third in the year-5 and 6 race. Rhydian Hopkin came fifth in year-5.

Both year-3 teams for boys and girls came second in the team competition. The Year-5 team also came second.

Story board

YEAR-5 pupils have taken part in this year's Barry Storytelling project.

This project, which involves several primary schools, allows the children to practise their storytelling techniques and to contribute towards the

creation of a large mosaic, which can be seen in the gardens of Barry Island Primary School.

However, each school celebrated its participation in the project by designing and creating an individual mosaic for their own school.

The children enjoyed making their own mosaic which they helped to create with the support of the project artist Ms Kate Derbyshire.

All the children enjoyed the whole experience, which provided a range of interesting activities.

School garden

WELL DONE to all the children for their hard work in the school garden.

Every child in school has had the opportunity to work in the garden and experience all it has to offer. The school was recently awarded a recognition certificate.

Urdd fun day YEARS-3 and 4 had a fun-filled day at Sain Ffagan to celebrate the end of term.

The day was organised by the Urdd, who had invited hundreds of children to experience the fun.

During the day, children had the opportunity to sing exciting new

songs with other schools, enjoy a magic show, practice archery, fishing skills and take part in a football tournament.

We look forward to next year's activities.

School's active mark

THE school has recently been awarded the prestigious active mark award, given as a recognition of all the different aspects of physical education available in school.

The school offers a wide variety of clubs and games, such as golf, rugby, football, netball, cricket, rounders, athletics and many more.

We were one of only two schools from the Vale to receive this important award, and we are extremely proud of this achievement.

Sponsored walk

MANY thanks to all the children for the money they raised in the sponsored walk.

SuperTed and stars from the S4C show, Igi, Tigi, Bib a Pop, came to show their support.

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NEWS FROM THE SEAVIEW LADS

Mixed luck for the anglers...

FISHING during July for the Seaview Lads has been as inconsistent as the weather.

Following the success of our annual venture to Weymouth, we returned to Barry in anticipation of some proper fishing.

Sadly, the rays seem to have left (not just the sun's rays) and we have been left scratching for fish. Mike Langford is the in-form man of the moment with two firsts and a second over the past three matches, while Gary Morgan has managed two podium places, one relying upon a three-fish, nine-ounce haul!

The Velda also managed to wheedle a second place, while Liam McDonald adds his name to the leader board.

On the boat, a good day was enjoyed on the Benjoma with young Daniel Ladner landing the biggest fish, a fine 16lb eel. Steve Doble won the heaviest bag overall, and all anglers enjoyed a good day out with mixed fishing.

The annual coach trip was a great success and we even managed to catch a decent bit of

weather! Fishing wasn't great but many were landed, with our chairman, Steve Doble, poaching ICA's Bull Huss and weighing in the heaviest fish at 7lb 12oz. **RESULTS:**

July 10: First, D Langford; second, Jeremy; third, R Green.

July 12: First, L McDonald; second, M Langford; third, D Stilman; fourth, A Jones; fifth, G Morgan.

July 19: First, M Langford; second, J Velda; third, G Morgan; fourth, C McKinnery; fifth, P Coles; sixth, T Gwyther.

CANCER WALK

MEMBERS of the Barry committee of Cancer Research UK (Cymru) are organising a sponsored walk to help raise funds on September 27 from The Ship car park at 11am around Barry Island.

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Local Cadets claim Wings Appeal trophy



ABOVE: Cadets from 372 Squadron collecting for RAFA.

RECENTLY, Air Cadets from 372 (Barry) Squadron were awarded the Rose Shaw Trophy for raising an incredible £3,500 for the RAFA's annual Wings Appeal.

The trophy is awarded to the top squadron in Wales and west region – in competition with another 150 Air Cadet Squadrons (from Wales, Merseyside, West Mercia and Staffordshire Wings).

Overall, 372 (Barry) Squadron were third in the Air Training Corps – out of 930 Air Cadet Squadrons. The Cadets came within £500 of winning the Sir Douglas Bader Trophy.

The Cadets undertook a variety of events to fundraise this superb amount of money – from bag packing, street collections, pubs and clubs collections.

The top fundraising Cadet this year was Ryan McPeake, who raised more than £220 by himself.

The Cadets annually help and support a variety of organisations including: The Royal Air Forces Association,

Royal British Legion and the Barry Hospital League of Friends.

Flight Lieutenant Dave Crandon (Officer Commanding 372 Squadron) said: "I am immensely proud of the Cadets, who have worked hard to support the Royal Air Forces Association and deserve to have won this trophy."

"While 372 Squadron provide many exciting activities for the Cadets, it is great that these young men and women give something back to the community in which they live."

The Air Cadets undertake many activities, including flying, gliding, shooting, sports, adventure training, team building exercises, expeditions, visits and field craft training and Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme expeditions.

The 372 Squadron has vacancies for boys and girls between 13-18 years old; parading on Mondays and Wednesdays 7pm-9.30pm; behind Adam's Funeral Parlour (by the Memorial Hall).

Telephone the Squadron on 01446 747734, or email 372@aircadets.org for more information.

Window dressing will brighten Bridgend town

AN INNOVATIVE scheme to make the town centre in Bridgend more attractive has been dreamed up by the town council.

Members were concerned about the impact of empty shops on the street scene and, as a result, some owners have agreed to allow displays of art or photographs to be placed inside the shops.

Council leader David Unwin told the last meeting of the council that Bridgend Camera Club has now placed displays of photographs inside the old Seconds Ahead shop in Wyndham Street.

He said: "I am hoping that the art society will be involved in taking up some of the space available to display some of

its members' work.

"It gives passers-by something different to look at instead of an empty shop. It's better than a blank space."

He thanked assistant clerk Hannah Lewis for her work.

Coun Bob Burns said that the council should also congratulate Coun Unwin on this initiative. He said that this scheme should be extended to cover other empty properties, and organisations like BAVO or those promoting tourism in the area could be invited to put on displays.

Coun Unwin said that pictures showing the displays were being sent to Bridgend County Borough Council's tourism department.

"It can be done for next to nothing and it will help the aesthetics in all areas," he added.



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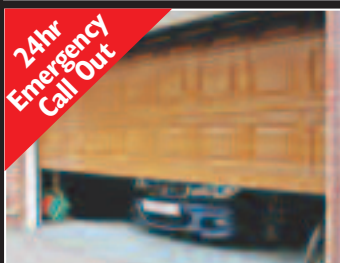
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New landmark for high jumper Elinor

Report by PETER MORRIS
Photos by IAN DIXON

ELINOR LEWIS maintained her possibly unique record at the recent Aviva-sponsored, 62nd Welsh School national track and field championships.

Elinor has now competed at the fixture for four consecutive years, and has had at least a share in a pole vault best on each occasion.

Back in 2006, the then Penarth year-9 pupil set an inaugural age group best of 2.96 metres in winning the pole vault in the first year that it was held for the junior (under-15) girls.

In 2007, her debut year in the middle (under-17) section, she raised the bar to a new best of 3.30 metres to again claim victory. Last year, GCSE year, was a real test of her determination and ambition.

She set a new middle best of 3.50 metres, but she was not the only girl to clear that height. Two of her rivals from north-east Wales also went clear, with that duo claiming gold and silver and Elinor having to settle for third place on countback.

All three of those competitions had been held at Penlan Arena in Brecon. This year, the Bro Morgannwg year-12 made the short journey to the recently-opened Cardiff International Sports Stadium and, despite tricky conditions and a very long competition, soared over a new best of 3.74 metres on her debut in the senior (under-20) section.

That performance not only gave her the event gold medal, and eight points in the team competition, but also a share, with middle hammer thrower Toni Wells (SE Wales), of the trophy for the outstanding field performance by a girl.

There were mixed for-



Arran Reid (Barry Comprehensive 772) on his way to 5th place in the junior boys 200 metres.

tunes at this event for the Vale athletes who had enjoyed medal-winning performances at the previous weekend's Welsh Schools Combined Events championships in Swansea.

Senior boys' champion Curtis Mathews, who, we are happy to correct, spends much of his time training under the guidance of Barry and Vale Harriers' long serving and most experienced coach, John Hartley, at Jenner Park, had a bit of a nightmare in the long jump, finishing over a metre down on his Swansea best, and could only finish fourth in the discus.

The Barry Comprehensive sixth former did bounce back in the high jump to win with a height of 1.85

metres. Matthew Roan (St Cyres), silver medallist in the junior section at Swansea, set a new high jump best of 1.65 metres in winning that event, but Cowbridge year-11 Oliver Trotman, the under-17 third placer, who had cleared 1.83 metres at Swansea, could only manage 1.70 metres for fifth.

On a day when Cardiff & the Vale district made the most of home advantage, and team managers, including Mrs Laura Burnett (St Richard Gwyn), worked hard to ensure that there were only a small number of events without a scoring athlete, there were three further 'Vale' victories with Vicky Jackson (Barry College) winning the senior girls' 1,500 metres, Tom Whitmarsh-Knight (Bro Morgannwg) taking the senior 2,000 metres crown and Tom Smith (Stanwell) claiming the top spot in the junior boys' triple jump.

Nineteen Vale pupils, 12 boys and seven girls, finished in the top three places to claim an individual medal.

In the team competitions, Cardiff & the Vale have been very strong in the boys' age groups for a number of years, and very weak in the girls' section. The strength at senior (under-20) and junior (under-15) boys was evident again with comfortable wins and, but for a bit of a disaster on the second change of the middle relay, that section would have provided a third trophy for the collection, but the zero points for a disqualification enabled old rivals Dyfed to snatch victory by two points.

The girls were more competitive this year, finishing in the top three in both the senior and junior sections, and that proved to be the difference.

At the end of a long day, much to the delight of athletes, parents and team managers, Cardiff & the Vale had amassed 542 points to finish ahead of Dyfed (523.5) in the quest for the Overall Points trophy, the second time in three years that they have defeated their west

6:34.22; 400H: 4 Tom Williams Bro Morgannwg 1:04.9; HJ: 1 Curtis Mathews Barry 1.85; 3 Josh Hill Llantwit Major 1.75; 4 Sam Booker Llantwit Major 1.75; LJ: 4 Tom Williams Bro Morgannwg 5.78/1.4; 6 Curtis Mathews Barry 5.53/1.3; SP: 4 Matt Wilcox Cowbridge 10.46; DT: 4 Curtis Mathews Barry 31.19; HT: 4 Matt Wilcox Cowbridge 19.42; JT: 2 Josh Hill Llantwit Major 39.75; 4x100: 2 Cardiff & the Vale 44.0; 3 Cardiff & the Vale B (non scoring) 44.6.

Team: 1 Cardiff & the Vale 114.

Middle Boys (under-17) – 100: Ht 2 (-0.9): 2 Jamie Sexton St Richard Gwyn 11.53; Fin: (-1.4): 2 Jamie Sexton St Richard Gwyn 11.46; 400: Ht 2: 2 James Wiltshire St Cyres 53.17; Fin: 2 Wiltshire 50.62; 800: 5 Rhys Allin Cowbridge 2:09.03; 1,500 Sc: 4 Darren Jones Llantwit Major 5:00.80; HJ: 5 Oliver Trotman Cowbridge 1.70; PV: 7 Jake Connelly Bro Morgannwg 2.20; TJ: 3 Sam Bunkham Cowbridge 12.34; SP: 3 Ben Harding St Cyres 12.39; HT: 3 Bradley Cole St Cyres 33.69; 7 Tom Perry Bro Morgannwg 27.41; JT: 3 Scott Hewins Llantwit Major 46.38; 4x100: Cardiff & the Vale disqualified.

Team: 1 Dyfed 108; 2 Cardiff & the Vale 106; 3 South East Wales 103.

Junior Boys – 100 (-2.1): 3 Cameron Jones Stanwell 12.17; 200 (-2.4): 5 Aaron Reid Barry 24.69; 1500: 5 Matthew Edwards Barry 04:39.85; HJ: 1 Matthew Roan St Cyres 1.65; PV: 4 George Connelly Bro Morgannwg 1.90; TJ: 1 Thomas Smith Stanwell 12.12; SP: 4 Gus McPherson Cowbridge 11.54; 4x100: 1 Cardiff & the Vale 47.01.

Team: 1 Cardiff & the Vale 95; 2 Dyfed 79.

Senior Girls – 100 (1.7): 5 Heather Jarvis Cowbridge 15.81; 800: 5 Maddie Edgeworth Cowbridge 2:53.99; 1,500: 1 Victoria Jackson Barry College 4:59.22; HJ: 3 Maddie Edgeworth Cowbridge 1.25; PV: 1 Elinor Lewis Bro Morgannwg 3.74

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Team: 1 Dyfed 98; 2 Cardiff & the Vale 90.

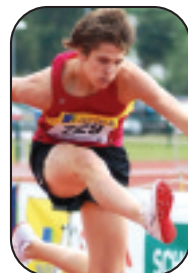
Middle Girls – 300: 3 Lauren McCarthy St Cyres 42.44; 800: 4 Eloise Laity Westbourne 2:26.49; 1,500: 4 Bethan Daw St Cyres 4:59.40; TJ: 4 Lia Thomas Bro Morgannwg 9.20.

Team: 1 South East Wales 91.5; 5 Cardiff & the Vale 80.

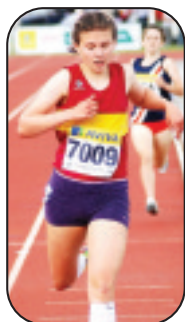
Junior Girls – 200: (-1.3): 5 Maisie Matthews Bro Morgannwg 27.94; 800: 5 Lucy Tarrant Llantwit Major 2:32.89; LJ: 2 Lucy Taylor Llantwit Major 4.84/1.3; JT: 5 Fern Mason Bro Morgannwg 21.57; 4x100: 1 Cardiff & the Vale 51.90.

Team: 1 Dyfed 65.5; 3 Cardiff & the Vale 57.

Overall points: 1 Cardiff & the Vale 542; 2 Dyfed 523.5; 3 South East Wales 394; 4 North East Wales 368; 5 Glamorgan Valleys 322; 6 Afan Nedd Tawe 309.5; 7 Eryri 218; 8 Powys 180.



An encouraging debut in the senior boys 400 metres hurdles for Tom Williams (Bro Morgannwg).



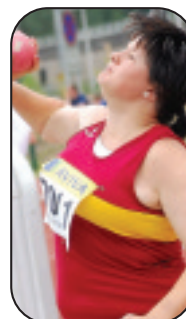
Vicky Jackson (Barry College) winner in the senior girls 1,500 metres.



A safe last change from Maisie Mathews (Bro Morgannwg) to Cyndi Kitange (Mary Immaculate) in the 4x100 junior girls relay.



Team captains Gwenno Brown (Glantaf) and Adam Jones (Stanwell) receive the Overall Points Trophy from the Welsh Schools treasurer Mr Dilwyn Davies.



Ayla Phillips (Llantwit), second in the senior shot and hammer.



Curtis Mathews adds the senior high jump title to his victory in the recent Combined Events at Swansea.



The three medallists in the middle boys 100 metres – Jamie Sexton (St Richard Gwyn 2nd), Jamual Whyte (St Teilo's 1st), and Tom Cusworth (NE Wales) received their medals from the Lady Mayoress of Cardiff.

Bryn Hafren pupils (and staff) all join in school sports day



ABOVE:
The joy of victory was all too much for some of the competitors!

LEFT: A school pupil deep in concentration during an event.



Jenner Park hosts 'Sports Day' for Barry Comprehensive

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Sports day was the last of a series of inter-form competitions held throughout the year, ranging from cross-country to dodgeball.



Callum Goddard, year-7: 1.500m.



Lee Baldock, year-12: high jump demonstration.

Barry event raised cash to Help Heroes

A RECENT coffee morning organised by regional AM Alun Cairns and Vale Conservatives raised "hundreds of pounds" for Help for Heroes, the charity which supports wounded servicemen and women.

Mr Cairns is chairman of the Assembly's All Party Group on Armed Forces and Cadets in Wales.

Commenting on the event held in Barry's Memorial Hall, he said: "With our troops on active duty in many theatres around the world, I could think of no better way to mark Armed Forces Day than to raise money for Help for Heroes, who do an excellent job in supporting our wounded troops."

"I am proud that the people of Barry turned out to support our coffee morning."

Celebrating St Lawrence

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ABOVE: Care 4 Pets have developed a reputation for reliability and professionalism (left to right) Kathryn Johnston, groomer, Alison Moya, owner, and Jo Greenough, office manager.

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Barry lifeboat races to stricken boat

BARRY lifeboat crew raced to rescue a drifting boat last Saturday (August 1) after it suffered engine failure.

The yacht, which left Swansea with two persons on board, was rescued in the early hours by the RNLI Barry Dock Lifeboat.

Another vessel which was escorting it tried to take the incapacitated boat under tow, but the lines parted on several occasions.

The Barry Dock Lifeboat was launched, located the boat and took it under tow and safely brought it to Barry harbour for urgent repairs.

Gerry Adams, the volunteer RNLI press officer at Barry,

said: "This rescue was the first under the command of a newly-qualified coxswain, Ed Hides."

"Ed has had intensive training locally, and at the Lifeboat College in Poole. He will become another fully-trained coxswain on the crew of the Barry Dock Lifeboat."

The full time coxswain, Hugh Davies said that the Barry Dock Lifeboat has a very highly-trained and motivated crew and welcomes the promotion of Ed.

Mr Adams said that the training of volunteer crews is of the highest standards in the world.

He added: "It is through continuous voluntary contributions and legacies that the RNLI are able to provide this service."

Civic society wants to keep the Embassy

BRIDGEND Civic Society is to object to the old Embassy Cinema in the town.

The society has said it would prefer to see the old cinema converted to another use.

Spokesman Natalie Murphy said that the plans to demolish the Embassy were discussed at the last committee meeting.

Owner Mel Matthias wants to replace it with a temporary car park but long term, he would like to build a hotel on the gateway site.

She said: "It has no protection because it is not a listed building and is just outside the conservation area."

"It is an art deco building dating from 1939 and has been an iconic landmark for decades."

"I remember going to the Saturday morning children's club there as well as to see many films. We were lucky in Bridgend as we had three cinemas – the Embassy, the County Cinema and the Palace, which all showed different films each week."

"There was as much choice as people get today with a multiplex type cinema."

She said that many old Bridgend residents would have fond and happy memories of the Embassy and she was sad that it had fallen into disrepair.

Rain stops play for the Cadoxton Ladies

MILLWOOD Ladies welcomed Cadoxton to play in the evening league.

Regrettably, the rain became heavier as the evening went on, and it was decided to abandon the game and share the points.

The Thursday afternoon league game was against Llantwit Major at Cadoxton, and the ladies battled against the wind all afternoon.

Rink one: Cadoxton – P Bryant, M Slec, D Evans, J Tuck 17, Llantwit – K Johns, C Davies, P Pine, E Gray 12.

Llantwit started in fine

style gaining six shots. On the fifth end, Cadoxton gained three shots to bring the score to 3-6 down.

Scoring then was slow for Llantwit, giving a chance to catch up and Cadoxton scored seven shots to pull ahead.

A five for the ladies on the 12th end put them further ahead.

Rink two: Cadoxton – J Watkins, N Hitchen, M Paterson, M O'Callaghan 13, Llantwit – E Harding, K Mutlow, P Cook, M Davies 26.

Llantwit ladies steamed away, scoring 16 shots in the first seven ends. Cadoxton found it

very difficult to score any more than one shot. They recovered a little, but were unable to make any impression on the score.

Rink three: Cadoxton – J Pycroft, P Cox, N Clissett, D Davies 13, Llantwit – L Crouch, J Voss, C Wilmott E Nicholl 17.

This was a game of two halves as Llantwit dominated in the first, and the score was 15-3 to Llantwit.

Then Cadoxton found form and scored 10 shots in the ends 11/16.

Llantwit came back to win the last two ends to win the match.

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Rhose 'oldies' are top surf life savers



ABOVE: 'We are the Welsh champions' – Rhose lifeguards celebrate at Aberporth.

THE Surf Life-Saving Association (SLSA) Welsh Masters Ocean Championships took place at Aberporth, and Rhose Lifeguards masters section returned as Welsh champions.

The team of 11 men and eight women consisted of Dave Cooper, Steve Edgerton, Chris Braggins, Simon Parker, Alan Wadey, Paul Gardner, Neil Cordy,

Andy Wall, Steve Baron, Mark Thompson, Brian Elliott, Karen O'Donoghue-Harris, Janine Cordy, Liz Wong, Helen Gardner, Sian Baron, Tracey Wadey, Michelle Wall and Elaine Edgerton.

Medal winners were: Dave Cooper, first swim, first board, first ski, first ocean man, (four gold).

Simon Parker, second 1Km, third swim, second board, third ski, second ocean man, (three silver and two bronze). Paul Gardner, third sprints (one bronze).

Karen Harris, first 1Km, second sprints, second flags, first swim, first board, first ski, first ocean lady, (five gold and two silver).

Liz Wong, second 1Km, third sprints, second flags, third swim, first board, first ski, first ocean lady (three gold, two silver and two bronze). Janine Cordy, second ski (one silver)

Double events: Ski - 50+ (Cooper and Edgerton), second (silver); double ski - 40+ (Braggins and Parker) - second (silver); double

ski - 30+ (Harris and Wong) - first (gold); ladies ski relay 117+ first (gold); ladies board relay 117+ - first (gold); men's board relay 117+ second (silver); mens board relay 87+ second (silver); ladies taplin relay 117+ first (gold); men's taplin relay 117+ third (bronze).

The overall results were: First, Rhose (1368.5); second, Mumbles (895.5); third, Langland Bay (805.5); fourth, Sker (792); fifth, Penybont (542.5).

A great day was had by all and thanks goes to the families, especially the children, of the team for their support and encouragement, also to the IRB crews for providing water cover.

PELHAM 123 IS A TRAIN WORTH CATCHING

WHILE indisputably an actor of some weight and gravitas, Denzel Washington certainly isn't afraid of mixing it up, starring in films that aim to entertain rather than engage.

There may have been the odd mis-step in that plan (*Virtuosity*, *The Siege*) but when teamed with director Tony Scott in the likes of *Crimson Tide* and *Man On Fire* (we'll just brush *Déjà-Vu* under the carpet), the results have been more than watchable.

The pair team up again in a remake of *The Taking of Pelham 123*, where Washington plays Walter Garber, a subway dispatcher who finds himself embroiled in events when criminals (led by John Travolta) hijack a subway car and hold the passengers ransom.

Demanding \$100 million in an hour, or else they will kill the passengers, Garber finds himself embroiled in a situation that is far bigger than he expected... It seems that Hollywood is slowly running out of ideas, such is the collection of films based on comic

book/fictional book/computer game/remakes (delete where applicable).

Nine times out of 10, this 'reimagining' of existing source materials, a phrase coined by Tim Burton concerning his disastrous take on *Planet of The Apes*, do nothing more than reaffirm our affinity for the original.

Having only been mildly aware of the original film and novel that *The Taking of Pelham 123* was based on, it meant that I wasn't going into the film with any baggage or expectation – resulting in an often gripping, yet somewhat lightweight, film that plays to the strengths of the main players, without ever truly pushing themselves.

Certainly, the ingredients are there for something that really stands out; after all, you are hardly going to hire someone like Tony Scott if you're not looking to create a film that balances a crash, bang, wallop sensibility with a degree of substance.

Unlike his older brother, Scott junior has never been a director who has received critical kudos, many comparing him (unfavourably) to Ridley; however, his commercial acumen is been far better, capable

of constructing a fizzy blockbuster with a strong, and distinctive, visual style.

He offers more of the same here, the story set-up constructing his way with a set-piece, but Scott still injects into the film his unique editing and camera movements, while showing a comfortable ability to ramp up the tension.

It livens what could have been a far more low-key piece into something a touch more visually arresting.

The two leads are more than adequate in their roles, yet the feeling that they're operating within the comfort zone is all too prevalent.

Very few do 'noble everyman' as well as Denzel Washington, and while his character here has a murky past that the actor manages to subtly convey, he is ultimately the kind of character Washington excels at.

That isn't to say the actor coasts through the film – far from it, as he gives life to a character that we are given little background about; it's just the character is a familiar Washington archetype.

Villainy-wise, John Travolta does a more than competent 'bad guy' – after all, he's far more compelling an actor on the wrong side of the tracks, as the likes of *Broken Arrow*, *Face/Off* and *The Punisher* will attest.

However, as the film progresses, and we learn more about what is motivating his character, we start to wonder how this plainly psychotic person ever operated in the field of his previous employment.

Travolta certainly laps up the role, sporting a nifty hand-to-hand moult, spouting expletives and getting himself all worked up as the relationship between him and Garber develops over the radio – but it comes at the price of the actor adding a little bit too much to the mix, the performance requiring a degree of toning down.

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by GARETH JAMIESON

and James Gandolfini gives the film a degree of depth, while Brian Helgeland's script eschews the original film's use of codenames for the villains (something borrowed by Quentin Tarantino for *Mr White* et al in *Reservoir Dogs*). It firmly plants the film in the 21st century, using the internet, stock markets and the post 9/11 attitude to acts of terror to give the film an identity of its own.

However, while Helgeland's script does a great job of building up the tension, it fails to offer a pay-off that concludes the film with any satisfaction.

Having kept the audience absorbed this long, the finale falls flat as a pancake and somewhat sours what was an engaging film.

However, while nowhere near the best that any of the creative forces behind it are capable of, it's still an eminently watchable piece of work.

VERDICT – A perfectly serviceable slice of Friday night popcorn entertainment. *The Taking of Pelham 123* is a pleasing, but lightweight, film.

While the direction of Tony Scott and performances of Denzel Washington and John Travolta give the film its own identity, that all three are so far in their comfort zones takes away some of the gloss of what is, come the end credits, an agreeable viewing experience. *Enjoyable.*

Dinas Powys Show appeal

ONE of the features of the Dinas Powys Village Show is the great number of entries in the young people's classes.

Although we have had lots of entries from two schools within Dinas Powys, one school's letter was lost in the post. This has meant that that its usually excellent number of entries was not forthcoming – a great disappointment to the show's organisers.

It would be great if junior school pupils could take a look at the

schedule and posters on the village noticeboards and do something for the show during the summer holidays. People who come to the show love to see the items submitted by the youngsters.

Schedules can be obtained from many outlets in the village (look out for the orange posters).

More details on 029 2051 3274 and 029 2051 4173. We look forward to seeing those entries so, please parents, encourage the children to enter!

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NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF PUBLIC PATH ORDER TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 SECTION 257 AND PARAGRAPH 7 OF SCHEDULE 14 THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL (PUBLIC FOOTPATH NOS 17B & 25 LLANBLETHIAN) DIVERSION ORDER 2009

On the 28th July 2009 the Vale of Glamorgan Council confirmed the above Order.

The effect of the Order as confirmed is to divert part of the public footpath as set out in the Schedule below.

A copy of the confirmed Order and Order map may be seen at Docks Offices, Subway Road, Barry free of charge between 9:00am and 4:00pm on weekdays from 6th August 2009 until 17th September 2009. Copies of the Order and map may be bought here at a price of £3.50.

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Commences at ST 0006 7471 and proceeds east-south-eastwards across the school grounds for approximately 93 metres. The path then turns north-eastwards for approximately 17 metres to terminate on the adopted highway at the access point to an existing track at ST 0017 7470.

Length: 110 metres Width: 2 feet

Description of site of alternative path

Public Footpath No 17b Llanblethian

Commences adjacent the former railway line at ST 0007 7478 and proceeds north-westwards for approximately 22 metres, then keeping the hedge on the left the path turns northwards for approximately 133 metres. It continues north-westwards for approximately 83 metres, where it then turns north-eastwards for approximately 209 metres to terminate at ST 0017 7514.

Length: 447 metres Width: 1.5 metres

Public Footpath No 25 Llanblethian

Commences at ST 0006 7471 and, keeping the hall on the left, proceeds north-north-eastwards for approximately 51 metres and gains access to the existing track. The path turns south-eastwards along the track for approximately 101 metres to terminate on the adopted highway at ST0017 7470.

Length: 152 metres Width: 1.5 metres

Dated this 6th day of August 2009

Director of Environmental & Economic Regeneration
Docks Offices, Subway Road, Barry, CF63 4RT

NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF PUBLIC PATH ORDER SECTION 119 HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL (PUBLIC FOOTPATH NOS 19 & 20 PENLLYN) DIVERSION ORDER 2009

On the 28th July 2009 the Vale of Glamorgan Council confirmed the above Order.

The effect of the Order as confirmed is to divert the public footpath as set out in the Schedule below.

A copy of the confirmed Order and Order map may be seen at the address below free of charge between 9:00am and 4:00pm on weekdays from 6th August 2009 until 17th September 2009. Copies of the Order and map may be bought here at a price of £3.50.

This Order comes into force on the 28th July 2009, but if any person aggrieved by the Order desires to question its validity or that of any provision contained in it, on the ground that it is not within the powers of the above Act, or on the ground that any requirement of that Act or any regulation made under it has not been complied with in relation to the confirmation of the Order, he/she may, under paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the Act as applied by paragraph 5 of Schedule 6 to the Act, within 6 weeks from the date on which the Notice is first published make an application to the High Court.

SCHEDULE Site of Existing Path

Restricted Byway No 19 Penlllyn

Commences on a track at SS 9870 7754 and proceeds north-eastwards for approximately 147 metres to terminate at the junction with Public Footpath No 20 Penlllyn within the garden of Chatwood at SS 9880 7765.

Length: 147 metres Width: 9-12 feet

Public Footpath No 20 Penlllyn

Commences within the garden of Chatwood at the junction with Restricted Byway No 19 Penlllyn at SS 9880 7765 and proceeds north-eastwards out of the garden and along the private drive for approximately 86 metres to terminate at SS 9887 7770.

Length: 86 metres Width: 3-6 feet

Site of New Path

Restricted Byway No 19 Penlllyn

Commences at SS 9870 7754 and proceeds south-eastwards for approximately 16 metres. Keeping the boundary to Chatwood on the left, the path turns north-eastwards through a field to terminate at the junction with Public Footpath No 20 Penlllyn at SS 9881 7761.

Length: 143 metres Width: 3.7 metres

Public Footpath No 20 Penlllyn

Commences at the junction with Restricted Byway No 19 at SS 9881 7761 and keeping the boundary of Chatwood on the left proceeds north-eastwards through a field for approximately 106 metres to terminate on the private drive at SS 9887 7770.

Length: 106 metres Width: 3.7 metres

Dated this 6th day of August 2009

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Out and About with The GEM

Ty Hafan lottery draw winners

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471466, 719996, 173126, 799313, 243848, 742914, 889727, 493132, 691365, 863220, 797277, 558767, 816918, 272013, 494680, 471083, 108431, 665593, 474269, 409517, 111565, 284858, 215000, 269922, 639554, 394869, 771531.

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Win mythical stamps with Royal Mail and The Glamorgan GEM

A BOULDER-WIELDING giant and a fire-breathing dragon are just two of the illustrations on Royal Mail's stunning Mythical Creatures stamps released by Royal Mail, and readers of The Glamorgan GEM can win themselves a presentation pack of these beautifully-illustrated stamps in this month's competition with Royal Mail.

The six stamps feature fantastical characters from the UK's rich history of folklore and legend, brought to life by the artist Dave McKean. They were designed by

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Val Boden, external relations manager, Royal Mail, said: "These stamps are truly breathtaking. The artist has created a series of images which, by turn are beautiful, amusing - and spine-tingling."

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No correspondence will be entered into and judge's decision is final.

Barrivale Bridge Club news

ON Tuesday, July 28, the results were as follows:

First, Mark Roderick and Betty Lewis - 6.67 per cent; second, Joan Jenkins and Noelle Bond - 60.94; third, Denis Mottram and Mick Green - 58.33. Mark and Betty also won on handicap.

New members are always welcome at Barrivale, for more information telephone 01446 733425.

Green flags and pennants are awarded

BELLE Vue Park in Penarth and Victoria Park in Barry have been awarded Green Flag status, and the Upper Orchid Fields, Wenvoe, and Cwmtalwg Nature Area have gained Green Pennant status.

The Green Flag Award, managed by Keep Britain Tidy, is the national standard for parks and green spaces and recognises the best green spaces in the country.

Housing Minister Ian Austin said: "Green spaces provide us all

with some free space to have fun and relieve the stresses of modern life - whether we want to enjoy a picnic, play some tennis or just sit back and relax.

"The Green Flag Award scheme is rewarding our best green spaces and encouraging others to achieve the same high standards."

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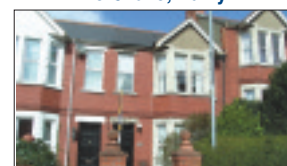
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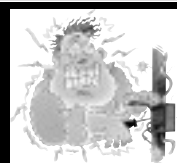
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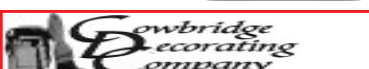


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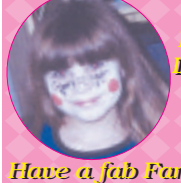
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Location: The Old Rectory, St Mary Church, Cowbridge
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Fixture congestion bad news for players UNDER-STRENGTH CADOXTON BOWLERS HAVE TOUGH WEEK

A PLETHORA of fixtures, due to rearranged games, brought Cadoxton little success during the past week, and left them in the relegation zone.

The weather intervened on Wednesday when the Munro Cup was postponed against Penarth.

On Thursday, the 'A' side travelled to Llantwit Major, sprinkled with a number of regular club side players, and had a successful evening in one of the rearranged games.

On Saturday, both sides (with weakened teams) lost their League fixtures.

Finally, another defeat came on Sunday with another patched up team.

CADOXTON V LLANTWIT MAJOR (CML6)
IN the match against Llantwit, Alan Carpenter's rink trailed until a '6' on the 15th end put them in front.

This lead was increased by two '3s' near the end. The rink skipped by Roy Harding romped to a comprehensive win, only losing on six ends.

Graham Brown's rink conceded a '4' on the

final end to lose after a run of three '3s' looked like giving them the points. Finally, a '2' against on the last end tied the scores on Gary Jones' rink.

D Collard, B Knight, L Cundliffe, A Carpenter, 22-14; G Solomon, G Davies, J Stewart, R Harding, 25-8; P Ellis, L Davies, D Jones, G Jones, 17-17; R Doble, M Curtis, I Robertson, G Brown, 22-24.

Total: 86-63.

CADOXTON V PENYRHEOL (CML2)

AFTER a morning of torrential rain, the game at Penyrheol was in doubt.

It was eventually started, with some water on the green, after excellent work by their green-keeper made it possible.

Unfortunately, Gordon Davies slipped and could not take part in the game. Further accidents were had by Don Kuhnell and Graham Brown, but they continued.

The loss of Gordon on Kelvin Chedgoy's rink upset the team and they lost heavily. A '6' and a '5' were conceded in the early stages after Don's accident, which left them always chasing the game. The deficit was reduced, but not enough by the end.

The only success came from Graham Brown's rink, which kept in front throughout the game, thanks to a superb performance from the lead Ashley Brown.

The Gary Jones rink started well, with a 6-0 advantage, but a bad spell in the middle took away the advantage to trail 9-16. A run of success brought five singles, which left just a two-shot deficit going into the final end.

Unfortunately a '4' was dropped and the points were lost.

A Brown, W Eadie, A Carpenter, G Brown, 25-18; H Hellyar, D Evans, L Davies, D Kuhnell, 19-26; T Bishop, G Davies, L Cundliffe, K Chedgoy, 12-37; D Tuck, P Ellis, W Vaughan, G Jones, 14-20.

Total: 70-101.

CADOXTON V MURCH (CML6)

IN the A side match against Murch, Barry Sales' rink was 5-1 up after three ends, but did not score again until nine shots were scored during the last four ends.

Roy Harding's rink was 10-0 down before their first score on the seventh end. The eventual outcome was a nine-shot defeat.

Vernon Bryant's four

also had a bad start, trailing 9-0. A recovery brought the deficit to just one, but a '5' against on the penultimate end spoilt the improvement.

Mike Curtis skipped a triple, due to being a player short, and collected the only two points with a win after having a six-shot penalty deducted.

D Collard, L Little, I Robertson, B Sales, 14-23; R Doble, I Dunbar, M Curtis, 24-14; Knight, R Cole, J Stewart, R Harding 17-26; G Powell, G Solomon, S Pycroft, V Bryant 15-20.

Total: 70-83.

CADOXTON V YSTRAD MYNACH (CML2)
A HOME game against Ystrad Mynach completed a bad week with another defeat.

Four points were obtained from wins by the rinks skipped by Graham Brown and Gary Jones, but the other two rinks were well beaten.

T Bishop, D Brook, A Carpenter, G Brown, 23-18; H Hellyar, D Evans, I Robertson, D Kuhnell, 10-29; T Bishop, G Davies, L Cundliffe, K Chedgoy, 7-25; W Eadie, P Ellis, L Davies, G Jones, 20-16.

Total: 60-88.

Romilly A bowlers clock up big win

BARRY Romilly Bowls Club A side entertained Rumney Bowling Club for an A side clash on the first day of August.

Romilly were the winners of 12 match points, with an aggregate score of 123-56.

Alf Woolcock's rink of A Bumford, D Ford and G Rees won their game with the highest score and margin on the day. They led from start to finish.

Romilly skip Alf was more than pleased with his team's form scoring a big '6' on the way to a 39-4 win.

Bob Wyatt's rink of B Cheal, C Davies and K Clements also had a cracking game. They scored a big '6' on the second end and went on to capture a very big '7'

on the 19th end for a 37-14 win.

Vince McFarland's rink of D Bannister, A Jones and L Jones won their rink 35-18. The game started with Romilly winning a big '6' on the third end. Rumney then scored a maximum eight shots on the sixth end, which is an unusual occurrence.

There was some good scoring and skipper Vince was very happy to take the win.

Bryn Gough's rink of P Hoad, J Coles and K Westgate did not fare well in their match. Scoring was slow and low throughout the game, with their opponents back two finishing stronger to win the rink 12-20.

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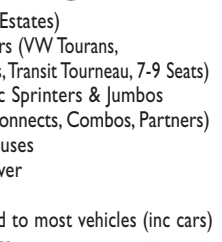
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07 BMW 320i SE Cabriolet, black met, new shape, 16,000 miles, BMW SH, clw, a/c, climate, cruise, alloys



06 BMW 330d M Sport 4-dr Automatic in black met, creme leather. Only 16,000 miles FSH, alloys, diesel



06 BMW 325i M Sport 1 Drive (Navigation) in black, 24,000 miles, FSH, with wide screen sat nav



05 BMW X3 D Sport, silver, very low mileage, just 33,000 miles, fsh, sport model, alloys, cd, elw, rfid



55 BMW 520d 4-dr, black, 2.0 diesel, over 50mpg, BMW service history, 25,000 miles, unmarked inside and out



55 BMW 118d 2.0 M Sport (EBS) in blue met, 38,000 miles FSH, diesel, grey leather, climate a/c, elw, rfid



06 BMW 118d 2.0 M Sport in black met, black leather, M Sport edition with climate, a/c, 18" alloys, leather



06 BMW 120d 2.0 SE in black, DIESEL, ONLY 48,000 miles. FULL SERVICE HISTORY. Loaded with a/c, elw



06 BMW 120i 1.8 M Sport (EAS) 5dr in blue met, 53,000 miles FSH, black leather, climate a/c, elw, rfid, alloys



56 LEXUS IS 250 2.5 Sport 6sp in black metallic, genuine Sport with alcantara, alloys, loaded



07 SEAT Leon 2.0 FR TFSI 200 DSG 5-dr Auto, charcoal sports seats, very rare, just 16,000 miles, fsh, 17" alloys



55 BMW 320i SE 1.8. Please feel free to contact our sales team on 01446 738088. Part exchange welcome



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54 MINI Cooper 1.6 2-dr Convertible, blue pearl, full anthracite leather, only 35,000 miles, full service history



07 TOYOTA Auris 1.5 VVTi TR M Sport 5-dr in bixin Blue met, 17,800 miles FTSH. High spec, a/c, elw, PAS, elm



57 VOLKSWAGEN Polo 1.4 SETDI PD 3dr silver met, 20,000 miles. Alloys, CD, a/c



04 VW Touran 2.0 TDI SE (140) Tattri 6spd in obsidian black. Diesel 7 seater. Stunning, air con, elw/m, pas



06 VW Golf 1.9 TDI S 5dr (alc) in blue met, only 48,000 miles with fsh. Immaculate diesel, NEW SHAPE



54 MINI Cooper 1.6 S in BRG metallic, leather. Super-charged Cooper S, 167 BHP model with FSH



51 LAND ROVER Defender 90TD5 Pick Up LE, 60,000 miles, FSH



04 Toyota Avenis 2.0 VVTi TR M Sport (Navigation) in silver pearl, ONLY 32K, FTSH. Loaded leather, SAT NAV



56 SEAT Ibiza 1.4 16v 3-dr Stylance SE DAB in silver met, only 4,000 miles, FSH, AS NEW, climate, a/c, elw



56 SUZUKI Swift 1.6 VVTs GLX 5-dr in kashmir sparkle blue. New shape, 20,000 miles. Full service history



56 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.2-16v SXI in black, ONLY 47,000 miles. FVSH. Half leather, a/c, alloy wheels, pas, elw



05 VW Golf 2.0 S 5dr Sdi in blue metallic, 47,000 miles DIESEL, unmarked a/c, pas, elw



04 Renault Clio 2.0 16v Renault Sport 182 in silver Gen 182, 51,000 miles FSH. Stunning cond, every extra



03 TOYOTA Hilux D4-D EX 4x4 Pickup (1111) In red, D4-D DIESEL. VAT Free



06 FORD Fiesta 1.4-16v Zetec Climate, purple met, 22,000 miles, 1 owner, fsh, cd, air con



06 VAUXHALL Zafira 1.6 Club, Obsidian black with charcoal cloth, 52,000 miles, fsh, low insurance, a/c



05 CITROEN Picasso 2.0 HDi Exclusive Diesel (alc) in blue met, 47,000 miles, fsh. Totally unmarked diesel MPV



56 FORD Fiesta Freedom alc 1.25-16v 3dr, Silver, 53,000 miles FSH, air con, electric windows, PAS, elm



55 PEUGEOT 407 1.6 HDi 110bhp 4dr in silver met, 1.6 diesel with low tax, very cheap insurance, a/c



05 Ford Fiesta 1.4 Zetec in black met, 34,000 miles FSH. Excellent condition, CD, PAS



54 TOYOTA Yaris 1.0 5dr stratos blue, 27,000, PAS, elw ideal small eco car



05 NISSAN Micra 1.4 SVCE 3-dr blue, stunning, 26,000 miles, Full Nissan Service History, top of the range



03 VOLKSWAGEN Polo 1.4 TDI Sport 3-dr, zenith silver met, 60,000 miles, fsh, anthracite sports cloth, alc, pas



03 FORD Focus 1.6 Ebony 3dr in black, ONLY 43K, FSH, leather, a/c, alloys



02 Renault Clio 2.0 172 Cup 3-dr hatch in blue. With 52,023 miles, 2000cc, petrol 5 sp manual, air con, alloys



05 Ford Fiesta 1.4 Zetec D 5dr in obsidian black metallic, 48,000 miles, FSH, DIESEL, 135 ply road tax



04 TOYOTA Celica 1.8 VTI 3-dr silver, MoT, excellent new shape, full Toyota service history, a/c, elw, pas, alloys



Y BMW 318Ci SE Coupe in graphite met, FSH, Low mileage, a/c, alloys, cruise

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04 Smart Fourtwo 700 PASSION Auto Blue met, a/c, elw, nt, panoramic glass roof, alloys, pas, 25,000 miles. £4,495



55 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.2 16v Sd (80) Twin Port 3-dr, Silver metallic, remote locking, cd, low ins. group. £4,495



52 VOLKSWAGEN Polo 1.2 S 3dr (55) Inca yellow, ONLY 32,000 miles, alloys, a/c, power steering, CD, elw. £3,995



53 TOYOTA Yaris 1.0 1.2 VVTi 3dr in blue met, ONLY 30,000 miles, FSH, excellent condition, elw, low insurance. £3,995



04 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.2 Life 5dr in green metallic, 45,000 miles, LOW INSURANCE GROUP 2. £3,995



53 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.3 CDTi Design 5dr in green met, STUNNING DIESEL, FSH, Very economical, PAS, r/c, cd. £3,995



03 FORD Ka 1.3i Luxury, black, 48,000 miles, fsh, leather, a/c, pas, group 3 ins, low tax, immaculate cond. £3,995



03 PEUGEOT 206 1.4 LX Auto 3dr in red, power steering, 5dr hatch, air con, elw, r/c, low tax band. £3,495



53 FIAT Punto 1.2 Active 3-dr in blue, only 35,000 miles, fsh, a/c, elw, pas, e/m, only group 3 insurance. £2,995



Y Peugeot 206 2.0 GTI 3dr in silver met, Genuine SP with FSH, Full black leather, climate control. £2,995



03 Rover Streetwise 1.4 S 3dr in red met, ONLY 52,000 miles, STUNNING condition. £2,995



03 ROVER 75 1.8 T Club SE Turbo, immaculate, 44,000 miles, fsh, full heated leather, epack, factory alloys. £2,795

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07	MERCEDES C180 Kompressor Auto Classic SE light blue met, ONLY 52,000 miles FSH. Auto Air con, climate, alloys, r/c, elw, e/m, PAS	£6,995
07	VOLKSWAGEN Caddy 1.9 140 C20 In white, ONLY 28,000 miles FVWSH, genuine VW integrated CD player, remote locking, PAS	£6,995
07	FIAT Punto 1.9 JRD M-JET 130 Sporting black met, ONLY 20,000 miles with FIAT SERVICE HISTORY. New Shape, Alloy wheels, DIESEL, £6,995/707 Ford Fiesta 1.4 Zetec Climate TDCI 5dr In banshi blue, A Superb late 1400cc diesel with A/C & technology pack. £35 Road Tax	£6,495
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GEM sport

Young golfer mixes with best in world

TOP Welsh amateur Rhian Wyn Thomas, a member of the Vale Golf Club, has been rubbing shoulders with the best players in the world at the Ricoh British Open, just five years after first trying golf at the Royal Welsh Show.

As fourth reserve for the British Open, missing out in a play-off for the last place, Thomas enjoyed full practice rights at Royal Lytham and St Anne's – playing practice rounds with the likes of Australian pro



Rhian Wyn Thomas. Anna Rawson.

"I definitely could not have imagined this when I first tried hitting a golf ball in the net at the Royal Welsh, not at all," laughed Thomas.

"It has been a good five years but things are going particularly well at the moment. I have enjoyed every minute of it since first trying golf at the Royal Welsh."

Under-8s look to new season

THE Island Marine under-8s have had a great second year and are now preparing for the new season.

A club spokesman said: "We would like to thank Mike, our sales team manager, Martin Byrne, the coach, and a special mention to Jackie, Richard, all the mums and dads, and First choice 4Mortgages for their continuing support and help."



LEFT:

Back row (left to right): Jack Mead, Jack Bloomfield, Charlie Byrne, Jack Blackmore and Tim Belby. Front row: Jake Byrne, Will Everleigh, Billy Johnson, Louis Foscolo, Harry Byrne and Joe Doughty. (Not in the picture is Will Barbato).

Further information on Island Marine teams and training times is available on the club's facebook page, Island Marine Football club.

WANDERERS' SECOND XI WIN A NAILBITER AGAINST LISVANE

by **ANDY FENTON**

THE Wanderers took to the road for a tough away fixture against old rivals Lisvane.

With the weather set fair in the quaint surroundings of St Mellons, stand in skipper Mark Ellis won the toss and had the tricky decision of whether to bat or bowl.

A damp, slow wicket meant that, although it would be easier to field first, he had confidence in the team posting a sufficient total to defend.

The opening pair of Denning and Coleman might have disagreed with this theory, as the two opening bowlers for Lisvane bowled with accuracy on a bowler-friendly pitch.

Denning, having survived being dropped early on, departed for six and Toozor soon followed with the score on 20.

The returning Tim Sanders steadied the ship and, although only going at just two an over, it was an important partnership.

However, just as Sanders looked set, he misjudged a shortish ball and paddled a simple catch to backward leg for 16.

This brought Ellis to the wicket and, along with Coleman, he nudged the ball around, scampering quick ones and twos to frustrate Lisvane.

Coleman departed playing a ball too early for a valuable 34 and this led to a mini collapse as the overs were running out.

Furnham and Davies departed for ducks and Ellis eventually held out in the penultimate over for 32.

Gist ensured the innings ended with a flourish with a quickfire eight to lead the Wanderers to a modest total of 122-8 off their allocated overs.

This was down to a fine bowling performance from Lisvane who bowled straight and accurately, resulting in only six wides, by far the best attack the Wanderers had faced this season.

Skipper Ellis rallied his troops knowing that bowling the opposition out was the only option and set an attacking field from the off.

Davies got the early breakthrough and Allen was setting his intent by hitting the loose ball to

the boundary at regular intervals.

As the game was starting to slip away with Lisvane easing past 50, Dev Pathak hit his strides and got Allen clean bowled for 31, soon followed by Godman and Bowen for ducks, leaving Lisvane on 59-5.

Coleman then engineered a run out and Ashton took a fine caught-and-bowled to leave Lisvane on 76-7.

Gary Morgan looked set for the long haul but after David Morgan (no relation) came back into the attack he removed him with a ball that stopped and had him clean bowled.

At 99-8 it was becoming tense, with both sides in the hunt and when Price was bowled, again by Morgan, the score was 102-9 and the Wanderers sniffed victory.

However, like a boxer on the ropes, Lisvane came out fighting and in Jenkins had someone who could wield the bat to good effect.

A number of boundaries followed and run by run the total required came down.

As Morgan bowled a

no ball which was hit for one, Lisvane reached 121, knowing that a boundary would win them the game.

David Morgan came into bowl and Montgomery played a shot which caught the edge and flew into the safe and grateful hands of Mike Ashton, who gleefully took the catch and set off for the boundary in jubilant celebration.

What a difference a year makes as this time last year the Wanderers were losing games by one wicket, and now they had achieved their eighth win in a row, thanks to contributions from all members of the team.

A team barbecue was held at Hayes Point where the Firsts and Seconds celebrated their victories. Many thanks to all those who helped organise the successful event.

Barry Wanderers: 122-8 off 45 overs (P Coleman 34, M Ellis 32); T Jenkins 2-13.

Lisvane: 121 all out (P Allen 31); D Morgan 3-34, D Pathak 3-25.

BWCC win by one run; BWCC 22 points

Dock View Auto Centre man-of-the-match was Devanka Pathak.

Local athletes are aiming for stardom



Rising stars – Curtis Matthews (on left) and Jamie Sexton.

WITH Barry Harriers Club growing in size, Fred Malkin must take credit for his perseverance since he became chairman.

The Harriers have kept up their tradition of turning out athletes capable of attaining international honours and championship medals, though two male athletes this year have stood out.

James Sexton has shown steady progress over the last year or two. In the last couple of months, he has taken the silver medal for the 100 metres in the under-17 Welsh Championship.

Last week he represented Wales in the British Schools Championship in

Ireland. This annual match is regarded as birthplace of future champions and Jamie knew he was in the toughest race so far.

In the 100 metres, he took the bronze medal with a personal best time of 11.1 seconds. He also gained a silver medal in the 4x100 metre in a close finish.

Curtis Matthews has also been showing some fine form in variations of multi events and championship events.

In the Welsh Schools he achieved the silver medal with a leap of 6.8 metres in the long jump. Again in a single event for the Welsh Schools he took gold in the high jump with a leap of 1.85 metres.

In the Welsh Championships he again took the gold, with a total of 3,065 points.

Local trainers 'hit top form'

ON AND OFF THE TURF with Brian Lee

LOCAL trainers Tim Vaughan, Evan Williams, Bryn Palling and John Flint, have hit top form of late saddling winners all over the country.

Aberthyn's Vaughan, who recently notched up his first ever four-timer with *Mission Control*, *Tanmeya*, and *Top Of the Knar*, who scored at Worcester, and *Burgess Hill* who won at Perth, added a double at Market Rasen on Sunday with *Sacrilege* and *Dead Cwmni*.

Or Alive. While Llancarfan's Evan Williams, who won with *Sheshali* at Bath and *Barizan* at Bangor-on-Dee last Friday, have recently sent out the following winners – *Mr Robert* and *BackTo Fit* at Worcester and *Super Ross* at Newton Abbot.

Kenfig Hill's John Flint won Sunday's feature race at Market Rasen with *Marrel*, ridden by his son Rhys, and Cowbridge's Bryn Palling won the Bath seller with 33-1 chance with *Sacrilege* and *Dead Cwmni*.

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Stags' success is shortlived

IAN GADD'S Barry Athletic First XI hosted title hopefuls Ebbw Vale at a sunny Barry Oval.

The conditions looked good for batting and it was no surprise when Ebbw Vale skipper Jason White chose to bat first.

Runs came easily for the visitors and, with no wickets down, the Stags were beginning to struggle. The breakthrough came mid way through

the innings when fast bowler, Steve Jones dismissed opener, Mark Evans, for 57.

More wickets began to fall in the second half of the innings.

However, the bowling from Peter Hellyar (15-1-65-2), Steve Jones (15-3-69-2) and Nathan Baker (9-0-33-0) was not enough to prevent Ebbw Vale from reaching a highly respectable 241-5 from their 50 overs.

After the mid-session interval, Barry were

immediately put under pressure by Ebbw Vale and were struggling, with six wickets down before drinks at 25 overs.

Most of the top order failed to cope with the conditions, with Lee Morgan falling for a duck, Nathan Baker getting 17 and Scott Malpas getting 11.

A 48-run partnership between Craig Thomas (40) and Jophin Reji (17) brought the Stags faint hopes of mounting a comeback.

However, the final wickets fell in quick succession and the Stags were bowled out for a miserable 105. Ben Slade starred with the ball for Ebbw Vale, with figures of 15-3-39-4.

Barry lost by 136 runs and only managed to claim two points. (Ebbw Vale claimed the maximum 20 points.)

Barry, despite losing, stay out of the bottom two after Ponthir and Machen both suffered defeats to title-chasing opposition.

Weather problems for 2nd XI
MARTIN Baker's

Sparkling win for Romilly

GELLI PARK Bowling Club travelled to Barry for their Division One match against the eager Barry Romilly players.

On a sunny Saturday afternoon, they were welcomed to Romilly Park and its splendid bowling green, where battle commenced with Romilly eventually taking the maximum 14 points.

Dave Wright's rink of H Jones, C Geen and G

Cogbill turned on the heat right away and went 17-3 up after just 10 ends.

The young Gelli skip, Imran James, a junior Welsh international, could not have enjoyed this game against skip Dave, a fellow international whose strong team went on to win by 32-9.

Brian Foscolo's rink of M Newman, M Doyle and M Gershenson had a solid game and were in the lead for most of the match up to the 19th end, when Gelli scored a

big six to go one in front.

Romilly then recovered, scoring a two and a four on the last two ends to win the rink by 26-21.

Alan Bryan's rink of R Hewitson, R Cowling and J Jones had a corker of a game against a strong Gelli four, with the lead changing hands frequently. However, the Romilly boys prevailed in the end to win the rink 20-16.

Tony Freeman's rink of C Collins, Bill Hewitt

and G Eastment had the toughest game on the day, due to their opponents' take-out shots.

Time and time again the Romilly boys built up very good heads – only for the Gelli team to spoil or reduce the count. Nevertheless, Romilly persevered and by the 18th end they were 18-9 up, when Gelli rallied and scored eight shots over the last four ends, but could not prevent a well-deserved Romilly win of 18-17.

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